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A large bankrupt stock of SHOT GUNS and RIFLES of all kinds for sale at

Jackson's Toy Store

Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich. Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Mich. Winchester Repeating Rifles all sizes at $10, $11 and $14 each. See the old and new models Quackenbush 22's and other Target Guns. One Colts Repeating Rifle second-hand at $7, one Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-hand, at $6, Spencer Repeating Shot Gun, 8 shot at $17, and I have Double Barrel Breech Loading Shot Guns both 10 and 12 gauge at $7, $9, $11 and 12 each, Single Barrel Breech Loaders, both new and second-hand at $5, $6 and $7 each, Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at the lowest prices, one Winchester Repeating Shot Gun second-hand at $10. Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box; paste that in your hat. A full and complete line of Winchester rifle cartridges at winning prices: 26 different sizes of revolver cartridges: B B, Flobert's and Blanks, Ballin & Rand's shot gun, rifle and blasting powder; smokeless powder for shot guns and rifles, Ferrass shells, loaded and unloaded, buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, shot gun fixtures; cartridge belts and shell bags; hunting coats, vests and hats; canvas game bags and belts for hunters; powder flasks and shot pouches; primers; snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder; bowie knives and knives for hunters; pasteboard and felt wads; water proof and G.D. gun caps; all kinds of new and second-hand revolvers; my leaders are 32 center fire at $1.50; 38 center fire at $1.75. These guns are of the bull dog pattern, and they are all right and I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickle 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, break down shell ejector, 4½ inch barrel Smith and Wesston pattern for $3 and how is that for a leader on guns? Holsters for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for moon hunters and the Morehouse traps for trappers, and compasses, boxing gloves, iron dumbells. Foot balls all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckels, dog chains, collars and muzzels.

After Nov 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property and that I have

A large grain sack full of unredeemed WATCHES of all kinds..

62 solid gold rings. Banjos, guitars and violins at one-third first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods for 19 years in Benton Harbor. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold.

CHARLES A. JACKSON
Dealer in Almost Everything.....

Cough

Your head off most eh! Use Hopkins' W. P. Expectorant.

Cold

Feet makes you take cold in other parts of the body. You do not realize it at the time but it comes

and

You sneeze, that is a sure inclination that you can expect trouble and possibly

Consumption

Not a very flattering outlook for a paying job. If you notice any of these symptoms call for something to cure them at

HOPKINS' DRUG STORE
Old Oscar Pepper Whisky and Spring Valley Port Wine.

MEATS,

POULTRY,

OYSTERS,

FISH...

And the Largest, Freshest and Choicest stock to select from at the most lowest prices you have ever heard of in this city. Our Bargain Counters are full every Saturday and we sell for lower prices at retail than you can buy at wholesale for our terms are strictly cash.

Yours for Good Living at the Lowest Price...

J. J. MILLER
THE MEAT MAN...

NOW INCORPORATED.

The Benton Harbor Eastern Railway Projectors Have Filed the Necessary Papers.

THE CAPITALIZATION, $650,000

New Incorporators are all Wealthy and Have Experience in the Management of Railways.

The Benton Harbor Eastern railway company is dead.

But the project of the defunct company is alive and will be pushed by a new company which has been granted a charter and will begin operations tomorrow.

The incorporators of the new company are wealthy, have all had experience in the building and management of railroads, and declare that the scheme of tunneling under Benton Harbor is practicable. Their names are: J. W. Hamilton, H. D. A. H. and John L. Dean, and John S. Moots, of Chicago, and W. H. Hollis of Washington.

The company is capitalized at $650,000, the articles of association having been filed with the secretary of state yesterday.

Tonight a meeting of the common council will be held to grant the new company a franchise, after which immediate arrangements will begin for the construction of the proposed road which will be built on the same lines mapped out by the old company.

A FROLICSOME CROWD.

Assembled at the Congregational Church Last Evening.

The Christian Endeavor association held its annual meeting at the Congregational church in this city last evening, and by invitation of the association there were present representatives from every young people's church society in the two cities.

The Endeavors dispensed with the the transaction of business and gave the meeting up to the entertainment of their guests and never was more fun and frolic crowded into one evening than was witnessed at the Congregational church last night. There were no introductions, and although many of the participants were strangers when they entered the church they were all acquainted when they departed.

At the door stood a committee who labeled every one of the 300 persons who entered. The label was a small card bearing the wearer's name. Having obtained the name of a person you were expected to speak to them without any further formalities.

At 8 o'clock Rev. Dr. Brooks, pastor of the Congregational church, opened the meeting with prayer. Several selections of sacred songs were rendered by the congregation, following which the anthem, "Nearer My God to Thee," was sung by the choir of the Christian church. S. A. Bailey then appeared with a select reading in Scotch dialect which elicited a vigorous applause.

At the conclusion of the program the young people were all supplied with cards containing a half completed quotation. Each was instructed to find the person who possessed the card with the remaining part of the quotation. This feature made it possible for all to become acquainted and after the quotations were all completed the happy throng indulged in a variety of interesting games until nearly 11 o'clock.

A CAST IRON DOOR.

Burkhard Bro's Will Fortify Themselves Against Thieves.

The store of Burkhard Brothers in St. Joseph recently suffered a loss of $200 by thieves taking out a panel in the back door of the store and thus making an easy entrance. This made the second or third robbery, and every time the store has been entered in the same way. That this will not happen again Burkhard brothers' feel certain for they have given their order to the St. Joseph Iron Works for a cast iron door to take the place of the wood n one.

William Jennings Bryan ate a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said 'twas the only thing that could calm his troubled spirits. Bird always keeps the best.

Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair.
DR.
PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 Years the Standard.

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

A Lady Well-Known Here Writes of That Flowering Clime.

UNIVERSITY, Cal., Dec. 29.—A bright sunny morning with everything refreshed by a warm rain yesterday. The grass looks as green and fresh as in June in Michigan. Where grass was mown two days ago it is now six inches high. Again, I do not understand the spontaneous growth of everything, while butter keeps as hard as if out of an ice chest, and it is never uncomfortably warm even in the bright noonday sun. We all wear the warm winter under clothing put on before leaving home, but there is no frost in the air and the weather is delightful. We left Benton Harbor Monday, December 14, arrived in Chicago at 3:30. I never saw anything so bright and beautiful as were the windows prepared for Christmas. As we passed through the streets a perfect jam of people were everywhere, and were as hurried as if making their last journey with little time ahead.

We took our places in the western bound Santa Fe car at 10 p. m. and were soon safely ensconced for the night. As the riding was anything but smooth, it gave small chances for sleep, and when I attempted to rise in the morning I found myself overpowered by that kind of sickness which lays hold of one on rough waters, so I had to remain prone in my berth all day, and must depend on Kelley Brothers for an account of the day's progress. We passed over Missouri and Kansas territory that day. The land was somewhat undulating. It seemed to be planted mainly to corn; very little wheat was to be seen. The principal towns were Kansas City and Topeka, other stopping places were small towns or villages not very prosperous in appearance. Wednesday morning the first place which aroused me was the call, "Los Junta, twenty-five minutes for breakfast." In the quietness I crept from the berth and took a seat, and used my eyes as well as I could. We were in Colorado and now came the grazing country which continued all that day. Now and then was a field of corn. Once in many miles we would pass a small house or two. Our stops were infrequent and the villages still less in size. Herds of cattle, horses or mules were frequent, many dead ones lay near the track. One wondered what the animals found to eat as all grass appeared dead. Sage bush was in plenty and all the water looked very unfit to drink. It was very low and of a red muddy color. I had often heard the pasture lands of the west spoken of but had formed no idea of their appearance. One vast country, stretching as far as the eye could see, which was many miles, the sameness only relieved by the cattle and rarely a small house would suddenly come to view. One would wonder what could induce men and women to live in such places, but probably the green of summer would give a more attractive appearance to the whole country, as it all looked barren and ungiefling. In the afternoon came the hills and first mountains in the distance. Thursday morning we passed through the vast desert of Arizona.

There was very little change in the country, only the soil was of a peculiar color and no fertility was manifest. It was just one continuation of very rough soil, brownish red in color, as near as one could tell it. I ask Frank if he could tell what name to give the soil. His answer was "you've got me." It was neither rock, sand, loam, clay or any thing else we could name. Not one particle of verdure was to be seen, except now and then a cactus tree, scrubby pine and sage brush. We often crossed a deep cannon where once had been water, now perfectly dry. About 10 o'clock we sighted San Francisco mountain with snow capped top. Sometimes it loomed on one side and then again it came to view on the other, as the track veered. After watching it for hours, I said, "It looks about five miles off," and again a man said, "I have thought for sometime it was about half a mile away;" but we rode on for hours and it was late in the afternoon before we left it behind. As we neared it, mountains of lesser height were passed and we were climbing height after height ascending and descending. The highest point we reached was seven thousand feet above the ocean. The rarity of the air was plain to the lungs. As we ascended, the face of the country changed. In places the pines were large trees and ran into forests and snow covered the ground. We came to a stop at quite a village and, although it was in the midst of the mountains, it looked easy and homelike and indeed a much pleasanter place to live than in the desert or on the sage brush pasture land. And now water was to be seen brought from the heights. The next day after passing San Francisco mountain, Old Baldy came to view—the highest in this vicinity—twelve thousand feet above the sea level. This peak is always snow covered. And now we were coming down the heights and cultivation was to be seen; windmills were turning their wings to the wind. And now we entered the valley of San Bernardino. What a change from winter to the balmy breeze of summer. The valley was very level with mountain peaks on either side. Near the top of one was a hotel with an electric car track running up to it. Winter on the mountain tops and summer in the valley. Of the beauty of this lovely valley surrounded by lovely flowers with laden orange and lemon trees, beautiful calla lilies, roses, geraniums and other flowers in full bloom. Friday at 1:30 o'clock we landed in Los Angeles.

MRS. A. N. KELLEY.

Party at Conkey's Hall

Sterling & Brennan's orchestra will give a masquerade ball at Conkey's hall on Friday evening, January 15. A good time is promised. Bill 50 cents. 3956

BIG BOARDING HOUSE.

It Will be Erected On the West Michigan Nursery Farm at Eau Claire.

CONVENIENCE OF EMPLOYES.

Vast Improvement On the Farm Since the Present Management Has Had Control.

The West Michigan Nurseries own a 900-acre tract of the finest fruit land in Berrien county. This is the farm the nurseries are developing at Eau Claire, and formally comprised the major portion of the vast Farmer estate.

When the property passed into the hands of its present owners it was little better than a dreary, desolate waste. Its long occupancy by shiftless tenants had transformed it into a fallow, uninviting area of woodland and fruit trees, aged and decayed. Noxious weeds thrived along the vine covered fences and its general appearance was pathetically dilapidated.

The West Michigan nurseries immediately set an army of men to work repairing fallen fences and buildings and preparing the ground for the growth of nursery stock. Orchards of pear, peach, plum and cherry were planted and within a year the big farm had so brightened up that it was hard to discover evidences of its former decayed condition.

Improvements have gone on in rapid succession until the farm now affords a gratifying scene of scientific husbandry. In winter as well as summer there are evidences of activity there. At present a large force of men is employed in the woods, of which there are over 90 acres on the farm. Eau Claire creek threads its silvery way through the entire width of the vast tract and along its banks are valuable trees of hard wood. These are being hewn up into logs, bolts and stove wood, forming an important winter industry. The men employed are residents of Eau Claire, the village being one and one-half miles distant from the farm.

The management has also gone into the stock-raising industry, having at present 49 high breed brood sows and over a car load of stock hogs. The food for the livestock is all raised upon the farm, the cultivation of which, together with the care of the nurseries, provides employment for a host of hands.

The development of the nursery is going on very rapidly. Thousands of trees of all varieties of fruit were planted last spring and next spring the owners will set out 16,000 peach trees, 3,000 plum, 2,000 cherry, between 2,000 and 3,000 quince, between 2,000 and 4,000 dwarf pear and numerous small fruit. Each year thousands of trees will be added to the orchards until the West Michigan nurseries will have the largest fruit farm and most extensive nurseries in Michigan.

As the fruit raising industry develops the demand for additional help becomes more urgent and the owners are now contemplating the construction of a large boarding house to accommodate the employes, who are now required to live in Eau Claire and walk three miles every day to their work. The inconvenience of this method is readily seen. The boarding house will be built in the centre of the farm overlooking Eau Claire creek, a small stream of clear, spring water, which trickles over a rock bottom and abounds in trout. Last summer speckled beauties weighing a pound and one-half were taken from the stream. The creek is stocked with the fish each year by the nurseries and only privileged characters are permitted to fish there.

The stockholders and officers of the nurseries hold a picnic on the farm in the month of August each year.

HEAVY WHEAT SALE.

During Five Months 5,689,243 Bushels Were Marketed.

LANSING, Jan. 13.—The Michigan *crop report for January* says that 103 correspondents in the state report that wheat suffered injury during December, while 508 report that it did not. Less than one-tenth of the correspondents report that the ground was well covered with snow during the month.

The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed in December is 961,563, and in the five months, August-December, 5,689,243, which is 359,519 bushels more than reported in the same months last year. The average price of wheat was 84 cents per bushel; of corn 23 cents and of oats 18 cents and the average price of hay was $7.73 per ton. The average price of fat cattle was $3.04 per cwt., of fat hogs $3.02 per cwt. and of dressed pork $4.03 per cwt. Milch cows were worth $27.72 per head. Compared with January 1, 1896, there has been an increase in the prices of all farm products named in this report excepting corn, oats, hay, hogs and dressed pork. The average increase in the price of wheat is 25 cents per bushel, and of fat cattle, 20 cents per cwt.

Dave Ryan sells groceries for cash. Make your money go a long ways. Call on him.

If you wish to save money, attend the big red letter clearing sale at the Chicago Bargain store.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

BOARD OF TRADE.

There Will be An Important Meeting Friday Night.

There will be a meeting of the board of trade next Friday evening at the rooms of the board.

Business of vital importance to the city will be discussed and President Miller hopes that there may be a large attendance.

PROFIT ON POSTOFFICE KEYS.

Postmaster Nichols Will Trade and Give You 30 Cents To Boot.

Lucky is the man or woman, who has 50 cents invested in a postoffice key.

Postmaster Nichols has just received word from the department that hereafter patrons cannot be charged more than 20 cents for a postoffice key. And all outstanding keys up to the present time, will be redeemed at 50 cents and sold back for 20 cents.

This order will go into effect here Friday. Take your key down to the postoffice and Postmaster Nichols will give you 30 cents for a two seconds' look at it.

NEW GRANGE OFFICERS.

They Were Elected at Berrien Centre This Forenoon.

BERRIEN CENTRE, Jan. 13.—Yesterday afternoon the county grange listened to a very delightful program and considerable business was transacted. C. H. Farnum reported the action of the committee on transportation and fruit packages appointed at the recent conference at Benton Harbor and the grangers refused to give out the recommendation of the report but it is understood that radical measures are advised. The report was thoroughly discussed by Messrs Cunningham, Royce, Farnum and others. Final action in these matters will be taken by the general committee at their next meeting. It was voted that the time for holding the annual meeting be changed from the regular meeting in January to the regular meeting in August and that the present officers hold over until the August meeting.

This morning the grange rescinded yesterday's action and it was decided to hold the annual meeting in January at a location other than Berrien Centre.

Here are the new officers: Master, W. H. Seitz; overseer, Fred West; lecturer, Thomas Mars; steward, L. Stiles; asst. steward, L. Covell; chap., Mrs. C. H. Farnum; Treasurer, Dr. J. H. Boyce; Sec. L. A. Stewart; G. K., J. J. Murphy; Pomona, Mrs. Anna West; Flora, Mrs. M. Stewart; Ceres, Lina Van Vronhin; Lady asst. steward, Mrs. L. Covell; Members executive committee, R. M. Hogue and Erastus Murphy. R. V. Clark of Buchanan was elected deputy state master for Berrien county.

The first business after dinner was the installation of officers by R. V. Clark. Choice musical selections were rendered by H. Thompson and the grange then adjourned in due form.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

Or for a lodge in some vast wilderness where can be alone with a box of Bird's fine candies Bird always tells the best.

PROSPECTS FOR ICE

The Outlook for a Harvest is Not Very Flattering Up to the Present Time.

J. J. MILLER HAS MAPPED A PLAN

Will Probably Use a Cooling Machine, a Substitute for Ice.

The outlook for a good ice harvest is anything but flattering. December passed without the freezing of a single marketable cake of ice and now January is half gone and there is not a pound of ice in the local ice houses.

The situation has occasioned some little alarm among the dealers and extensive users of ice. If no ice is frozen here it will be shipped here from some colder market and the result will be a price beyond the reach of the average pocketbook.

J. J. Miller, the meat dealer, is preparing for the worst. He is negotiating for the purchase of a cooling machine, an apparatus on the plan of an ice machine. The cooling machine is less expensive than an ice making machine, and it can be operated at a much less expense. If the new machine works as expected it will come into competition with the ice dealers.

SPLENDID CONCERT.

Given at the Baptist Church by the Wagner Male Quartet.

The Wagner Male quartet of Grand Rapids, composed of P. A. Tenhaaf, tenor; Arthur A. Vogelsang, second tenor; John Steinicke, baritone; Edwy K. Shaw, basso, enraptured an audience of 600 people at the Baptist church last night where they appeared under the auspices of the ladies aid society.

Mr. Shaw, basso, was afflicted with hoarseness, due to a serious cold, which annoyed him greatly and very noticeably interfered with his solo work. He has a magnificent voice which was heard in the quartet numbers to the great delight of the audience.

The members of the quartet are all artists, capable of executing the most difficult classic compositions as well as being able to present in a delightfully humorous style many comic medleys.

The quartet is accompanied by Ferdinand Warner, a skilled pianist who executed several very difficult solos on the piano, pipe organ and zither. His efforts were warmly received and each time he appeared he was required to respond to an encore.

The program contained 12 numbers, all but two of which, the artists were forced to repeat on obedience to the vigorous plaudits of 1,200 palms. The concert was of a high order throughout and was greatly enjoyed by those who heard it.

Lost—Pug dog, answers to the name of "Billy." Leave at C. R. Hollis & Son's store and receive reward. 3956

Cheap rent, no help to pay. Very little expense. You get the benefit. Call and get my prices on groceries. Dave Ryan.

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BAKING POWDER
A long-established baking powder of guaranteed quality.

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A pure cream of tartar powder. No alum, no adulteration.

For New Year's

We are prepared to assist you in your wants in the way of

Fancy Slippers, Shoes, etc.

For Ladies and Gentlemen

Fine Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves and Mittens, Hats and caps, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Fine Traveling Bags, Trunks, etc. Our stock of clothing and overcoats is exceptionally large and complete, and our boots, shoes and rubbers are always right.

..The Globe Clothiers and Shoers

113 West Main Street.

E. W. Moore & Co.

We Are the Bargain Leaders All the Time

Thursday, Jan. 14th

We Will Have a Little Special Clearing Sale of Our Own.

A Cut of 33 1-3 Per Cent

We will offer our entire stock of Ice Wool Shawls, Saxony Wool Shawls, Hoods, Fascinators, etc., at a cut of 33⅓ per cent.

Choice of Percales, 9 1-2c

The balance of our best 36-inch Dress Percales, all grades, choice at 9½c per yard.

15 Yds. Muslin $1.00...

Five hundred yards Lonsdale and Fruit of Loom muslin, 15 yards for $1.

GROCERIES

Fresh eggs, 15c per dozen.
Crushed Java coffee, 13c lb.
G. G. Sugar, 22 lbs for $1.00.
Gold dust, 16c per package.
10 bars Calumet family soap, 25c.

Until April 1 we close at 6:30 p. m.

Genuine Reduction Sale

Having more goods than money we are awful anxious to exchange. In order to do so we expect to sacrifice. But that cuts no figure

Goods Must Move

FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

Purchasers of Dry Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Blankets, Cloaks and Millinery can save money by trading with us. Profits more than knocked off on everything. Some things less than half price.

ENTERPRISE MERCANTILE CO.

SUCCESSOR TO F. G. WARREN

116 East Main Street, - Benton Harbor, Mich.

Sale of Seconds in

UNDERWEAR

A lot of seconds of ladies' and children's underwear bought of a well known mill and placed on the market at about 75 cents on the dollar from whole ale prices. This lot is as follows:

18 Ladies' Combination Suits at	50c
42 Ladies' Vests and Pants at	25c
60 Ladies' Vests and Pants at	22c
24 Children's Combination Suits at	40c
33 Ladies' Vests and Pants at	50c
60 Misses' Vests and Pants,	19c
48 Children's Vests and Pants,	15c

Also about 12 dozen left of the lot of gentlemen's shirts and drawers advertised before at 27 cents.

J. O. VAN HORN..

118 Pipestone Street, Bowman Block..

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Daily Except Sunday.

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One week	6

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The Weekly News, - - $1.00 a year.

Entered at the postoffice at Benton Harbor as econd class matter.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1897.

THE common council could remove a cloud of uncertainty by giving over to the jurisdiction of Mr. Charles W. Hall that portion of the city known as the mouth of the St. Joseph river.

IT is reported that the Cuban revolutionists have captured and destroyed Arroyo Naranjo, one of the largest suburbs of Havana. It is about time for Weyler to issue another statement that the island has been "pacified"

SPEAKING of ice machines the thought suggests itself that there is a fortune for the genius who will invent one that has practical merit and yet at the same time be small enough to fit unobserved into a coffin.

WHAT does it mean that Senator Blakeslee should be given a place on the saline committee of the senate? Berrien county has not a single salt block. Some of the senator's friends look upon the appointment as honor mixed with irony. Mr. Blakeslee is the only man prominent in the affairs of the county who knows anything about that peculiar sort of salt which preserves against the snares and smiles of pretty maidens.

OUR senator and representative have been well taken care of in the appointment of committees in the state legislature. Senator Blakeslee is chairman of committee on taxation and a member of the following committees: Executive business, finance and appropriations, religious and benevolent societies and saline interests. Representative Vaneamp is a member of the following committees: Military affairs, normal school, state affairs and supplies and expenditures. It is said that all the important committees including the one who will have charge of Governor Pingree's railroad, anti-corporation and other reform bills contain two anti-Pingree men to one in favor of these measures.

GEMS FROM STATE EDITORS

Kalamazoo Telegraph: William McKinley was formally elected president Monday. The electors in the several states met and cast their votes.

Grand Rapids Herald: If the inhabitants of Mars are again signaling the earth, the earth should slow down and find out what the Martians want.

Detroit Tribune: It must have kept the shade of Andrew Jackson humping Friday to be a Bryan Democrat and a Cleveland Democrat in so many different places at the same time.

Kalamazoo News: Your "Uncle James" Monroe continues to draw "crowded houses" of the faithful from all over Western Michigan. Your "Uncle James" also continues to be the most subtle smiler and graceful sphynx of Michigan politics.

Muskegon Chronicle: Several Illinois newspapers poke fun at this state, and say now that Pingree is governor the state house grounds will be planted to potatoes. If Governor Altgeld had run more to potatoes and less to pardons, Illinois would be better off and in better shape to mock Michigan. Even the eye of a potato could discern that fact.

Kalamazoo News: The most surprising expose in Governor Pingree's message, and one which will open the eyes of the taxpayers of Michigan, is that the people pay ten times as large a percentage of tax as the railroads. The railroads pay a little over two mills on the dollar on their property while the people pay about twenty-five mills on the dollar.

A Story of Crisp.

Here is a little story of the late Charles Frederick Crisp: In one of the counties of his district there was a little weekly newspaper to which he faithfully subscribed. When he would come home from Washington, he always sought the editor and demanded to know if his subscription had not expired. On one of these occasions, meeting with the editor, he handed him a $5 bill, saying:

"I have missed three issues of my paper, and I am sure I must be in arrears. Take that and call it square."

"But," said the editor, "the paper is only $1 a year, and your subscription won't be out until January."

"That's all right," replied Crisp, "but you keep the money." And then in a whisper, "I never saw an editor yet that didn't need it."—Atlanta Constitution.

Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers is a popular preparation in one bottle and colors evenly a brown or black. Any person can easily apply it at home.

William Jennings Bryan ate a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said 'twas the only thing that could calm his troubled spirits. Bird always keeps the best.

Oh for a lodge in some vast wilderness where I can be alone with a box of Bird's fine candies Bird always sells the best

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Walburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it. 1561f

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hull & Nichols.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hull & Nichols.

HE DARED 'EM OUT,

Representative Johnson of California Makes a Circus of Himself.

JUMPS ON HIS COLLEAGUES.

A Hot Time Witnessed in the House of Representatives on Tuesday.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Johnson of California furnished the entertainment again in the house yesterday. His speech this time began with a charge that Maguire had put things into The Record that were a personal attack on himself (Johnson), things that had not been spoken on the floor of the house. Johnson began calmly to recite his grievance, but it was apparent that he was keyed up to a high tension. He had seen fit, he said, during the debate on the funding bill to point out some "underlying facts" behind the opposition to the bill. But he had done so "openly and boldly." He had spoken of what he knew, and he had been responsible for what he had said. He had heard the attack of Cooper, but had been unable to get the floor to reply to it. He had now noticed in The Record a personal attack on himself by the gentleman from California (Maguire) printed under the privilege granted to members of extending their remarks. He was not familiar with the privileges of the house in this regard, but he would assume that the privilege only gave a member an opportunity to amplify his remarks on the pending measure.

Had Been "Laying" for Maguire.

He said he had been informed that he was to be personally assailed by Maguire Monday, not for what he had said of him (Maguire), but of another. He had waited all day in anticipation of the attack, but none had come, and instead of the open attack he had found this bitter personal assault in The Record. He desired now to say a few words about the matters touched upon in the printed assault because he wanted the "candidate to go with the poison." He went on to denounce Maguire's statement as a wanton and malicious disregard of the rights of members. He also referred to the fact that a St. Louis correspondent had telegraphed to his paper that Maguire was going to expose the "skeletons in his closet," to show that this was no sudden burst of wrath on the part of Maguire. He further said he had received a telegram saying that Hearst's paper in San Francisco had already printed Maguire's remarks and the charges made.

He Confesses His Early Sin.

"It is," Johnson said, "just as well for me to face this matter now as later, and meet the cowardly insinuations made against me at the dictation of William R. Hearst. It is true that thirty years ago I was in trouble in New York; that I was indicted; that I went to California to rear a new home and live down the past; but it is untrue that I went under an assumed name." He went on to describe how he had worked in Sacramento to make amends for the past. His voice shook as he told how "by the blessings of God and the help of my good wife" he had at last been able to pay back every dollar he owed. The house greeted him with hearty applause.

BUILT UP A NAME TO BE PROUD OF,

In Spite of His Youthful Indiscretion—"This Person Called Hearst."

Continuing he told how ever since 1870 he had returned each year to Syracuse and had been received there at the scene of his youthful indiscretion. He told of the honors he had been accorded in California, where the story was known; but it had remained "for the man from the Fourth district of California [Maguire] to delve like a ghoul into the past in order to disgrace my wife and family. I tell this to show that I am not ashamed of my life; that I have not concealed this blot upon it; can every man in this house and this country say as much? In Sacramento I have built up a name and a fame any man might be proud of." In 1886, Johnson continued, he had been again nominated, and although the bitterest fight ever known had ben made against him he had carried every election district in Sacramento, and had carried the county by 1,200.

He had ben most viciously attacked by editorials and caricatures daily by "this person called Hearst." The honored speaker of the house and Boutelle had been similarly attacked, while visiting California last summer, but the attacks upon them had been but the drippings of a brook besides Niagara, compared with those on him. He said copies of the paper had been sent to his (Johnson's) wife while she lay on a bed of sickness in danger of death, and the caricatures and editorials had been put in envelopes as correspondence, that she might not fail to get them. He asked: "Is it wonderful that I struck back when the opportunity came? Is there any man who would do less except the gentleman from California, James G. Maguire?"

He knew he would be attacked, but did not expect to be in such an infamous, under-handed cowardly manner. There was a race in Ireland called informers; there were hired assassins in Italy, and paid spies in Russia; but any one of them would have scorned to do what the gentleman from California had done. Referring to his attack on Hearst, he said: "Every charge I made is capable of proof. I do not shelter myself behind my constitutional privilege. Everything I say as a member of congress I am responsible for as a citizen personally and financially."

In a dramatic way Johnson appealed to the chivalry of the members from the south, whether their constituents would not tell them to repudiate such attacks on a brother member. Then in an equally dramatic manner he turned to the Republican side and appealed to those from the north. He appealed to the patriarch of the house (Grow of Pennsylvania) to know whether in all his experience he had known a man to be attacked in such an indecent, unjust, unmanly way. Cooper of Wisconsin attacked him and accused him of being cowardly because he assaulted a man behind his back. Yet Hearst, safely ensconced in New York, sent orders to California, 3,500 miles away to have him caricatured and abused. "If either the gentleman from Wisconsin [Cooper] or the gentleman from California [Maguire] thinks I am cowardly, let either repeat to me outside this chamber what he has said inside, and his curiosity will be appeased."

In conclusion he said, "There is a statute of limitations in every civilized nation against crime. Is it right to go back thirty-four years and unlock the secret chambers and bring out the skeletons of my past and shake them before the people; to forever throw at a man the follies and crimes of his youth? Should there not be a statute of limitation against this? Oh! may the day come in this nation when men will be judged solely by their acts in the present, and no man, no newspaper, will delve into his past and bring sorrow to his wife, his children and to the gray hairs he has earned in building up a good name."

MAGUIRE REPLIES TO JOHNSON.

Explains Why He Came to Attack the Latter in The Record.

There was deep silence when Maguire rose to reply. He began: "I never printed anything. I never asked any man to print anything. I never said anything anywhere that I am not willing to repeat before any man myself. Last week one of the most remarkable, indecent, malicious speeches I ever heard anywhere was made here against a man absent from this place, not even able to lift up his voice to say nay in this presence." He related that he had prepared the addition to his speech to which Johnson objected; had endeavored to get recognition Friday and Saturday to deliver it, and on Monday had asked the speaker if he could not deliver it as a matter of personal privilege, but had been refused. In the part of the speech to which Johnson objected no one could find anything unparliamentary, but the description fitted Johnson as the man who had so cowardly attacked the boyhood of another. He read the charges made by Johnson against Hearst and emphatically declared them false. Continuing, he said some very complimentary things of Hearst's newspaper in New York, characterizing it as the greatest newspaper on earth. This part of his speech evoked a chorus of groans from the house and amid much laughter Maguire concluded.

The house was still buzzing with excitement when Poole, the member from Syracuse, Johnson's old home, moved to expunge Maguire's remarks from The Record. Poole explained that he and Johnson had been schoolmates fifty years ago. He described Johnson as a man of excellent family and a bright scholar as a boy, and he also alluded briefly to his trouble when he was indicted for forgery. "But," said he, "we knew he would redeem himself and he did." An attempt to have Johnson's remarks also stricken out was defeated, as was one to refer the matter to the committee on rules, Maguire's remarks were then stricken out. The only other matter of interest in the house was that the speaker sustained the point of order against recommitting the Pacific railways funding bill.

SENATE TALKS MUCH POLITICS.

Gets in the Discussion While Considering the Free Homestead Bill.

Some lively political sparring marked the later hours of the senate session. The free homestead bill was under discussion and Allen found opportunity for questioning Vilas of Wisconsin concerning the party differences of last fall. It brought out much difference of opinion as to whether the Democratic platform was made at Chicago or at Indianapolis. Vilas declared that there was almost nothing in the Chicago platform not inimical to the interests of the government. He insisted that the Indianapolis platform was founded throughout in Democracy.

Allen characterized the Indianapolis platform as a "rump affair." The controversy became very lively and took a wide range. The homestead bill was further debated, but a vote was not reached. Vilas attacked it as a measure giving away $55,000,000 of government money. Nelson of Minnesota, Allen and Peffer spoke for the bill. Hill, who has not addressed the senate of late, spoke in favor of a law fixing four years as the term of fourth-class postmasters.

International Silver Conference Bill.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Republican senatorial caucus yesterday did not result in any final action upon the question of international bimetallism, which the caucus was called to consider, but adjourned until Friday. This failure was due to the fact that the language of the bill prepared by the Wolcott committee was objectionable to some. The bill as drafted provides for the consideration of the "free coinage" of silver. Some of the western members of the caucus wanted it amended so as to provide for "free and unlimited coinage." It was decided that the bill should state just what was wanted, and understood that the Democrats and Populists should be consulted.

CHILDREN DROWNLD AT ST. LOUIS.

Five Who Went Skating and the Ice Gave Way with Them.

St. Louis, Jan. 13.—Five children were drowned in this city yesterday afternoon while skating. At Kossuth avenue and Ashland place, a crowd of children were skating on the ice in an old quarry. The ice gave way and the children were precipitated into the water and drowned before help could reach them. They are Amanda Arnold, aged 15; Arthur Arnold, 13; George Mathews, 9; Sadie Matthews, 14, John Gleason, aged 15, who made a heroic attempt to rescue his playmates, fell into the water and as a result is in a serious condition. In another part of the city Al Veluer, aged 11, was drowned in a pond while skating.

News Paper Pool Is Dead.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Evening Post says: "It is learned definitely that the negotiations which have been pending for several weeks between manufacturers of white paper used by newspapers to effect a pooling arrangement whereby the product of all mills should be handled by a stock company, has been abandoned."

Order of Railway Conductors.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 13.—The board of directors of the Order of Railway Conductors of America is in session at the general offices in this city. The business before them pertains only to the inside workings of the organization.

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TONICS.

Two Edged Swords Capable of Mischief as Well as Benefit.

There is perhaps no class of remedial agents more abused than tonics. The abuse consists both in the excessive use and the misapplication of this class of agents, which, within a restricted field, possess an indisputable and important therapeutic value. The misuse of tonics is doubtless the outgrowth of a misconception of the real nature of this class of remedial agents and its limitations. Many physicians also seem to lose sight of the fact that tonics are, as has been aptly said of drugs in general, two edged swords, which are as capable of mischief as of benefit. Indeed, when the true nature of tonics—as is true, in fact, of most medicinal agents—is thoroughly understood, it is apparent that even in cases in which they accomplish the maximum of benefit there is also a certain amount of injury inflicted upon the organism, so that the effect obtained is really and simply the difference between the chief done and the good accomplished. If the difference is on one side, the total result is benefit; if on the other side, the result is harm. This principle holds good with regard to most remedies, whether the means employed is a drug or a nonmedicinal agent.

The popular idea of a tonic is well expressed in the following definition, which we find in the National Medical Dictionary, "An agent which augments gradually and permanently the strength and vital activity of the body or its parts." A stimulant is defined by the same authority as being "an agent which increases the functional activity of any organ or series of organs." The distinction made seems to be that a stimulant produces temporary excitement, whereas a tonic produces a permanent increase of strength and vital activity.—Good Health.

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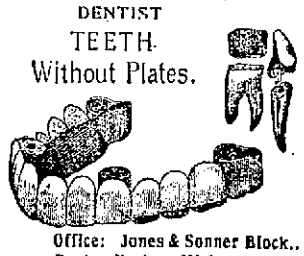

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The company is capitalized at $650,000, the articles of association having been filed with the secretary of state yesterday.

Tonight a meeting of the common council will be held to grant the new company a franchise, after which immediate arrangements will begin for the construction of the proposed road which will be built on the same lines mapped out by the old company.

A FROLICSOME CROWD.

Assembled at the Congregational Church Last Evening.

The Christian Endeavor association held its annual meeting at the Congregational church in this city last evening, and by invitation of the association there were present representatives from every young people's church society in the two cities.

The Endeavors dispensed with the the transaction of business and gave the meeting up to the entertainment of their guests and never was more fun and frolic crowded into one evening than was witnessed at the Congregational church last night. There were no introductions, and although many of the participants were strangers when they entered the church they were all acquainted when they departed.

At the door stood a committee who labeled every one of the 300 persons who entered. The label was a small card bearing the wearer's name. Having obtained the name of a person you were expected to speak to them without any further formalities.

At 8 o'clock Rev. Dr. Brooks, pastor of the Congregational church, opened the meeting with prayer. Several selections of sacred songs were rendered by the congregation, following which the anthem, "Nearer My God to Thee," was sung by the choir of the Christian church. S. A. Bailey then appeared with a select reading in Scotch dialect which elicited a vigorous applause.

At the conclusion of the program the young people were all supplied with cards containing a half completed quotation. Each was instructed to find the person who possessed the card with the remaining part of the quotation. This feature made it possible for all to become acquainted and after the quotations were all completed the happy throng indulged in a variety of interesting games until nearly 11 o'clock.

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LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

A Lady Well-Known Here Writes of That Flowering Clime.

UNIVERSITY, Cal., Dec. 29.—A bright sunny morning with everything refreshed by a warm rain yesterday. The grass looks as green and fresh as in June in Michigan. Where grass was mown two days ago it is now six inches high. Again, I do not understand the spontaneous growth of everything, while butter keeps as hard as if out of an ice chest, and it is never uncomfortably warm even in the bright noonday sun. We all wear the warm winter under clothing put on before leaving home, but there is no frost in the air and the weather is delightful. We left Benton Harbor Monday, December 14, arrived in Chicago at 3:30. I never saw anything so bright and beautiful as were the windows prepared for Christmas. As we passed through the streets a perfect jam of people were everywhere, and were as hurried as if making their last journey with little time ahead.

We took our places in the western bound Santa Fe car at 10 p. m. and were soon safely ensconced for the night. As the riding was anything but smooth, it gave small chances for sleep, and when I attempted to rise in the morning I found myself overpowered by that kind of sickness which lays hold of one on rough waters, so I had to remain prone in my berth all day, and must depend on Kelley Brothers for an account of the day's progress. We passed over Missouri and Kansas territory that day. The land was somewhat undulating. It seemed to be planted mainly to corn; very little wheat was to be seen. The principal towns were Kansas City and Topeka, other stopping places were small towns or villages not very prosperous in appearance. Wednesday morning the first place which aroused me was the call, "La Junta, twenty-five minutes for breakfast." In the quietness I crept from the berth and took a seat, and used my eyes as well as I could. We were in Colorado and now came the grazing country which continued all that day. Now and then was a field of corn. Once in many miles we would pass a small house or two. Our stops were infrequent and the villages still less in size. Herds of cattle, horses or mules were frequent, many dead ones lay near the track. One wondered what the animals found to eat as all grass appeared dead. Sage bush was in plenty and all the water looked very unfit to drink. It was very low and of a red muddy color. I had often heard the pasture lands of the west spoken of but had formed no idea of their appearance. One vast country, stretching as far as the eye could see, which was many miles, the sameness only relieved by the cattle and rarely a small house would suddenly come to view. One would wonder what could induce men and women to live in such places, but probably the green of summer would give a more attractive appearance to the whole country, as it all looked barren and unyielding. In the afternoon came the hills and first mountains in the distance. Thursday morning we passed through the vast desert of Arizona.

There was very little change in the country, only the soil was of a peculiar color and no fertility was manifest. It was just one continuation of very rough soil, brownish red in color, as near as one could tell it. I ask Frank if he could tell what name to give the soil. His answer was "you've got me." It was neither rock, sand, loam, clay or any thing else we could name. Not one particle of verdure was to be seen, except now and then a cactus tree, scrubby pine and sage brush. We often crossed a deep cannon where once had been water, now perfectly dry. About 10 o'clock we sighted San Francisco mountain with snow capped top. Sometimes it loomed on one side and then again it came to view on the other, as the track veered. After watching it for hours, I said, "It looks about five miles off," and again a man said, "I have thought for sometime it was about half a mile away;" but we rode on for hours and it was late in the afternoon before we left it behind. As we neared it, mountains of lesser height were passed and we were climbing height after height ascending and descending. The highest point we reached was seven thousand feet above the ocean. The rarity of the air was plain to the lungs. As we ascended, the face of the country changed. In places the pines were large trees and ran into forests, and snow covered the ground. We came to a stop at quite a village and, although it was in the midst of the mountains, it looked easy and homelike and indeed a much pleasanter place to live in an in the desert or on the sage brush pasture land. And now water was to be seen brought from the heights. The next day after passing San Francisco mountain, Old Baldy came to view the highest in this vicinity twelve thousand feet above the sea level. This peak is always snow covered. And now we were coming down the heights and cultivation was to be seen; windmills were turning their wings to the wind. And now we entered the valley of San Bernardino. What a change from winter to the balmy breeze of summer. The valley was very level with mountain peaks on either side. Near the top of one was a hotel with an electric car track running up to it. Winter on the mountain tops and summer in the valley. O! the beauty of this lovely valley surrounded by lovely flowers with laden orange and lemon trees, beautiful calla lilies, roses, geraniums and other flowers in full bloom. Friday at 1:30 o'clock we landed in Los Angeles.

MRS. A. N. KELLEY.

Party at Conkey's Hall

Sterling & Brennan's orchestra will give a masquerade ball at Conkey's hall on Friday evening, January 15. A good time is promised. Bill 50 cents. 39516

BIG BOARDING HOUSE.

It Will be Erected On the West Michigan Nursery Farm at Eau Claire.

CONVENIENCE OF EMPLOYES.

Vast Improvement On the Farm Since the Present Management Has Had Control.

The West Michigan Nurseries own a 900-acre tract of the finest fruit land in Berrien county. This is the farm the nurseries are developing at Eau Claire, and formally comprised the major portion of the vast Farmer estate.

When the property passed into the hands of its present owners it was little better than a dreary, desolate waste. Its long occupancy by shiftless tenants had transformed it into a fallow, uninviting area of woodland and fruit trees, aged and decayed. Noxious weeds thrived along the vine covered fences and its general appearance was pathetically dilapidated.

The West Michigan nurseries immediately set an army of men to work repairing fallen fences and buildings and preparing the ground for the growth of nursery stock. Orchards of pear, peach, plum and cherry were planted and within a year the big farm had so brightened up that it was hard to discover evidences of its former decayed condition.

Improvements have gone on in rapid succession until the farm now affords a gratifying scene of scientific husbandry. In winter as well as summer there are evidences of activity there. At present a large force of men is employed in the woods, of which there are over 90 acres on the farm. Eau Claire creek threads its silvery way through the entire width of the vast tract and along its banks are valuable trees of hard wood. These are being hewn up into logs, bolts and stove wood, forming an important winter industry. The men employed are residents of Eau Claire, the village being one and one-half miles distant from the farm.

The management has also gone into the stock-raising industry, having at present 40 high bred brood sows and over a car load of stock hogs. The food for the livestock is all raised upon the farm, the cultivation of which, together with the care of the nurseries, provides employment for a host of hands.

The development of the nursery is going on very rapidly. Thousands of trees of all varieties of fruit were planted last spring and next spring the owners will set out 16,000 peach trees, 3,000 plum, 2,000 cherry, between 2,000 and 3,000 quince, between 2,000 and 4,000 dwarf pear and numerous small fruit. Each year thousands of trees will be added to the orchards until the West Michigan nurseries will have the largest fruit farm and most extensive nurseries in Michigan.

As the fruit raising industry develops the demand for additional help becomes more urgent and the owners are now contemplating the construction of a large boarding house to accommodate the employes, who are now required to live in Eau Claire and walk three miles every day to their work. The inconvenience of this method is readily seen. The boarding house will be built in the centre of the farm overlooking Eau Claire creek, a small stream of clear, spring water, which trickles over a rock bottom and abounds in trout. Last summer speckled beauties weighing a pound and one-half were taken from the stream. The creek is stocked with the fish each year by the nurseries and only privileged characters are permitted to fish there.

The stockholders and officers of the nurseries hold a picnic on the farm in the month of August each year.

HEAVY WHEAT SALE.

During Five Months 5,689,243 Bushels Were Marketed.

LANSING, Jan. 13. The Michigan crop report for January says that 163 correspondents in the state report that wheat suffered injury during December, while 508 report that it did not. Less than one-tenth of the correspondents report that the ground was well covered with snow during the month.

The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed in December is 993,569, and in the five months, August-December, 5,689,243, which is 359,519 bushels more than reported in the same months last year. The average price of wheat was 84 cents per bushel; of corn 23 cents and of oats 18 cents and the average price of hay was $7.73 per ton. The average price of fat cattle was $3.03 per cwt., of fat hogs $3.02 per cwt. and of dressed pork $4.03 per cwt. Milch cows were worth $27.72 per head. Compared with January 1, 1896, there has been an increase in the prices of all farm products named in this report excepting corn, oats, hay, hogs and dressed pork. The average increase in the price of wheat is 25 cents per bushel, and of fat cattle, 20 cents per cwt.

Dave Ryan sells groceries for cash. Make your money go a long ways. Call on him.

If you wish to save money, attend the big red letter clearing sale at the Chicago Bargain store.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

BOARD OF TRADE.

There Will be An Important Meeting Friday Night.

There will be a meeting of the board of trade next Friday evening at the rooms of the board.

Business of vital importance to the city will be discussed and President Miller hopes that there may be a large attendance.

PROFIT ON POSTOFFICE KEYS.

Postmaster Nichols Will Trade and Give You 30 Cents To Boot.

Lucky is the man or woman, who has 50 cents invested in a postoffice key.

Postmaster Nichols has just received word from the department that hereafter patrons cannot be charged more than 20 cents for a postoffice key. And all outstanding keys up to the present time, will be redeemed at 50 cents and sold back for 20 cents.

This order will go into effect here Friday. Take your key down to the postoffice and Postmaster Nichols will give you 30 cents for a two seconds' look at it.

NEW GRANGE OFFICERS.

They Were Elected at Berrien Centre This Forenoon.

BERRIEN CENTRE, Jan., 13 Yesterday afternoon the county grange listened to a very delightful program and considerable business was transacted. C. H. Farnum reported the action of the committee on transportation and fruit packages appointed at the recent conference at Benton Harbor and the grangers refused to give out the recommendation of the report but it is understood that radical measures are advised. The report was thoroughly discussed by Messrs Cunningham, Royce, Farnum and others. Final action in these matters will be taken by the general committee at their next meeting. It was voted that the time for holding the annual meeting be changed from the regular meeting in January to the regular meeting in August and that the present officers hold over until the August meeting.

This morning the grange rescinded yesterday's action and it was decided to hold the annual meeting in January at a location other than Berrien Centre.

Here are the new officers: Master, W. H. Seitz; overseer, Fred West; lecturer, Thomas Mars; steward, L. Stiles; asst. steward, L. Covell; chap., Mrs. C. H. Farnum; Treasurer, Dr. J. H. Royce; Sec. L. A. Stewart; G. K., J. J. Murphy; Pomona, Mrs. Anna West; Flora, Mrs. M. Stewart; Ceres, Lina Van Vronhin; Lady asst. steward, Mrs. L. Covell; Members executive committee, R. M. Hogue and Erastus Murphy. R. V. Clark of Buchanan was elected deputy state master for Berrien county.

The first business after dinner was the installation of officers by R. V. Clark. Choice musical selections were rendered by H. Thompson and the grange then adjourned in due form.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

Or for a lodge in some vast wilderness, where I can be alone with a box of Bird's fine candies. Bird always sells the best.

PROSPECTS FOR ICE

The Outlook for a Harvest is Not Very Flattering Up to the Present Time.

J. J. MILLER HAS MAPPED A PLAN

Will Probably Use a Cooling Machine, a Substitute for Ice.

The outlook for a good ice harvest is anything but flattering. December passed without the freezing of a single marketable cake of ice and now January is half gone and there is not a pound of ice in the local ice houses.

The situation has occasioned some little alarm among the dealers and extensive users of ice. If no ice is frozen here it will be shipped here from some colder market and the result will be a price beyond the reach of the average pocketbook.

J. J. Miller, the meat dealer, is preparing for the worst. He is negotiating for the purchase of a cooling machine, an apparatus on the plan of an ice machine. The cooling machine is less expensive than an ice making machine, and it can be operated at a much less expense. If the new machine works as expected it will come into competition with the ice dealers.

SPLENDID CONCERT.

Given at the Baptist Church by the Wagner Male Quartet.

The Wagner Male quartet of Grand Rapids, composed of P. A. Tenhaaf, tenor; Arthur A. Vogelsang, second tenor; John Steinicke, baritone; Edwy K. Shaw, basso, enraptured an audience of 600 people at the Baptist church last night where they appeared under the auspices of the ladies aid society.

Mr. Shaw, basso, was afflicted with hoarseness, due to a serious cold, which annoyed him greatly and very noticeably interfered with his solo work. He has a magnificent voice which was heard in the quartet numbers to the great delight of the audience.

The members of the quartet are all artists, capable of executing the most difficult classic compositions as well as being able to present in a delightfully humorous style many comic medleys.

The quartet is accompanied by Ferdinand Warner, a skilled pianist who executed several very difficult solos on the piano, pipe organ and zither. His efforts were warmly received and each time he appeared he was required to respond to an encore.

The program contained 12 numbers, all but two of which, the artists were forced to repeat on obedience to the vigorous plaudits of 1,200 palms. The concert was of a high order throughout and was greatly enjoyed by those who heard it.

Lost—Pug dog, answers to the name of "Billy." Leave at C. R. Hollis & Son's store and receive reward. 39x6

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For Ladies and Gentlemen

Fine Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves and Mittens, Hats and caps, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Fine Traveling Bags, Trunks, etc. Our stock of clothing and overcoats is exceptionally large and complete, and our boots, shoes and rubbers are always right.

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Thursday, Jan. 14th

We Will Have a Little Special Clearing Sale of Our Own.

A Cut of 33 1-3 Per Cent

We will offer our entire stock of Ladies' Wool Shawls, Saxony Wool Shawls, Hoods, Fascinators, etc., at a cut of 33 1-3 per cent.

Choice of Percales, 9 1-2c

The balance of our best 36-inch Dress Percales, all grades, choice at 9½c per yard.

15 Yds. Muslin $1.00...

Five hundred yards Lonsdale and Fruit of Loom muslin, 15 yards for $1.

GROCERIES

Fresh eggs, 15c per dozen.
Crushed Java coffee, 13c lb.
G. G. Sugar, 22 lbs for $1.00.
Gold dust, 16c per package.
10 bars Calumet family soap, 25c.

Until April 1 we close at 6:30 p. m.

Genuine Reduction Sale

Having more goods than money we are awful anxious to exchange. In order to do so we expect to sacrifice. But that cuts no figure

Goods Must Move

FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

Purchasers of Dry Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Blankets, Cloaks and Millinery can save money by trading with us. Profits more than knocked off on everything. Some things less than half price.

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116 East Main Street, - Benton Harbor, Mich.

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A lot of seconds of ladies' and children's underwear bought of a well known mill and placed on the market at about 75 cents on the dollar from whole sale price. This lot is as follows:

18 Ladies' Combination Suits at
42 Ladies' Vests and Pants at
60 Ladies' Vests and Pants at
24 Children's Combination Suits at
33 Ladies' Vests and Pants at
60 Misses' Vests and Pants,
48 Children's Vests and Pants,

Also about 12 dozen left of the lot of gents' shirts and drawers advertised before at 27 cents.

J. O. VAN HO

118 Pipestone Street.

GRAND CONTINUATION!

JAMES POUND

NEXT TO POSTOFFICE.

$20,000 in Dry Goods and Cloaks!

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Linens,
Hosiery and Gloves,
Ribbons and Laces,
White Goods,
Blankets and Flannels,
..Linings..

1-4 OFF 1-4

..FOR CASH..

No Tickets Given During This Sale.

..CORSETS..

Departments

Dress Goods.
Jackets and Capes.
Shawls and Fascinators,
Silks,
Lace Curtains, Derbys and Window Shades,
Notions and Small Wares,
Muslin and Knit Underwear.

We Will Continue This Sale Until January 16th

Our Sale for the past week being such a Grand Success we have decided to continue it for another week. Remember this sale includes everything in our store from a spool of cotton to the finest dress goods.

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..150 Cloaks, Capes and Jackets Must Be Sold..

Thirty Beaver Shawls, none better on earth.

Fifty Pairs Blankets, the Cream of the Mills.

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TWENTY-FIVE CTS. A QUART.

Watch this space we will change these prices often.

22 1-4 lbs. Granulated Sugar	$1 00	1 lb. package Corn Starch	5c
23 1-4 lbs. Extra C Sugar	$1 00	1 lb. package Best Polishing Starch	8c
Golden Syrup, per gal	20c	1-2 lb. Bakers' Chocolate	19c
1 lb. Best Cocoanut	15c	Sweet Chocolate	7c
1-2 lb. Best Cocoanut	10c	California Peaches, 3 cans	17c
2 lb. package Buckwheat	10c	Golden Pumpkin	9c
Matches, per package, 200 count	10c	Salt Pork	5c
1 package Mince Meat	8c	Beans, hand picked	5c
6 bars Long Brown Soap	25c	Arm and Hammer Soda	6c
5 gallons best Oil	45c	Magic Yeast and Yeast Foam	3c
5 gallon Oil Can	50c	25c Tea	19c
9 bars Kirk's Soap	25c	Sapolio	8c
1 lb. Best 50c Tea	33c	Bulk Starch	4c
2 lb. package Rolled Oats	7c	1 lb. Dr. Price's Baking Powder	40c
1 lb. Good Java Coffee	30c	Salt, per sack	3c

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-W. C. HOVEY-

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For the next 60 days C. R. Hollis & Son will sell their entire stock at actual cost before buying spring goods. 521387

TALKED OF MONEY.

A Monetary Conference Now in Session at Indianapolis Is Quite Largely Attended.

SOME NOTABLE ADDRESSES.

Number of Michigan Cities Represented at This Important Gathering.

Indianapolis, Jan. 13.—Chairman Hugh Hanna, of the executive committee of the monetary conference, called that body to order at Tomlinson Hall yesterday afternoon at twenty minutes of 3 o'clock. At that time there were seated in the auditorium nearly 300 delegates, representing business interests that run up in value into the hundreds of millions. It was a fine looking body of men, whose object is to attempt reform of the government's currency system. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. L. M. Haines, of the First Presbyterian church, ex-President Harrison's place of worship. Then Hanna delivered a brief welcoming address and Temporary Chairman Jacob W. Smith read the call sent out by the executive committee. Next came the recomendation of the committee of the temporary organization, naming E. O. Stanard, of St. Louis, as temporary chairman; Jacob W. Smith, of Indianapolis, as temporary secretary, and W. F. C. Golt, of Indianapolis, as sergeant-at-arms.

Beginning of the Speechmaking.

In taking the chair Stanard made a speech of some length giving his views on the importance of the gathering and what it should do. After the speech committees on permanent organization, rules and order of business and credentials were appointed, and after they had retired Charles S. Fairchilds responded to calls and made an address. In opening he said: "For the first time in the history of governments a great, scientific financial question was submitted to the people for popular consideration in our last election. It was a great test of our institutions—not alone in the way in which it was decided—because we were considering the adoption practically of a tool with which to conduct our business. Other men at other times in our history have considered similar questions—differing as widely as possible in their political views. And yet, to them, there never entered an idea that party, section, race, nationality or worldly condition was involved."

Great Issues Hung on the Result.

After dwelling at length upon the defects in the present monetary system, Fairchild concluded with these words: "I tell you that before the work of this convention is finally concluded the business world, not only the United States but all the world, will be looking at it and its result; I tell you, gentlemen, that if it shall demonstrate (as God grant that you may not) that there is within this body not sufficient wisdom to arrive at something wise and conclusive; or if, having so come to a conclusion among yourselves, it is demonstrated that you are so far removed in influence from the law-making power that no results come of it, I tell you, gentlemen, you may tremble for the business and political future of this country." [Applause.]

John P. Irish, of California, was next called. He put as much eloquence as possible into a dry subject.

PATTERSON PERMANENT CHAIRMAN.

Western Towns Represented at the Gathering—A Representative Body.

The chairman then called for the report of the committee on credentials. There were no contests. The total number of delegates whose names have so far been reported is 250. The list of cities represented was read and included the following: Adrian, Mich.; Anderson, Ind.; Appleton, Wis.; Bay City, Mich.; Bloomington, Ills.; Cairo, Ills.; Chicago; Davenport, Ia.; Des Moines, Ia.; Detroit; Elkhart, Ind.; Evansville, Ind.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Galesburg, Ills.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Green Bay, Wis.; Indianapolis; Jackson, Mich.; Jeffersonville, Ind.; Keokuk, Ia.; Kokomo, Ind.; LaCrosse, Wis.; Lafayette, Ind.; Logansport, Ind.; Marion, Ind.; Milwaukee; Muncie, Ind.; New Albany, Ind.; Ottawa, Ills.; Ottumwa, Ia.; Port Huron, Mich.; Quincy, Ills.; Racine, Wis., Richmond, Ind.; Saginaw, Mich.; Sioux City, Ia.; South Bend, Ind.; Springfield, Ills.; Terre Haute, Ind.; and Vincennes, Ind. There were also delegates from New York city, Boston, Cincinnati, Hartford, Philadelphia, Albany, Washington, and many cities in the south. The convention in fact is representative of the whole country.

The committee on permanent organization last night reported, recommending C. Stuart Patterson, of Philavania, for permanent chairman and Evans Wooten, of Indianapolis, for permanent secretary. It also recommended that vice presidents be chosen, one from each state. Patterson was escorted to the chair and spoke at length on the objects of the conference.

After the address of the permanent chairman the committee on rules and order of business reported, limiting the time of debate, resolutions, etc. The president then read the list of vice presidents and the members of the committee on resolutions. There were calls for J. H. Walker, chairman of the house committee of banking and finance, and he responded with a speech regarding the financial condition of the country.

A flood of propositions for the reform of the currency was submitted and referred to the committee on resolutions. The Chicago delegation advocated the appointment of a commission of nine members with instructions to report a bill to congress not later than Jan. 1, 1898. Members of the commission are to be named by the president of the United States.

A good deal of importance attached to a plan reported by Chairman Hanna, of the national monetary committee. It provides for the creation of a commission to consist of eleven members, these to be appointed by the conference. This commission is to make a thorough investigation as to financial needs, overhauling the entire currency system, and when its deliberations are through it is empowered to call the conference together to hear its report. The conference is then to decide on the kind of a bill to introduce in congress.

Representative Fowler, of the banking and currency committee of the house, proposed that an executive committee be appointed to confer with the proper house and senate committees in drafting a financial bill, the members of the committee to be selected by the several states. Any proposition that might be submitted direct by the conference, he declared, would meet with resentment from the house and senate committees, and would utterly fail. Other plans submitted provide severally for the retirement of the greenbacks, increasing the national bank issue, allowing banks to issue to the par value of the bonds, reducing the tax on national bank circulation from 1 per cent. to ½ of 1 per cent., and favoring a direct resolution from congress maintaining the gold standard.

CAPT. MEYERS' "WRECKING" TRIP.

Sworn Statements of the Master of the Filibuster Dauntless.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The secretary of the interior has received from Collector Bisbee at Jacksonville, a report on the recent movements of the suspected filibuster Dauntless, in which he incorporates an affidavit made by Captain Meyers, the master. The affidavit states in effect that on Dec. 23 the master subscribed to an oath that the Dauntless was about starting on a wrecking tour, and that he would not violate the neutrality or navigation laws. On that day he steamed down the river, but the weather was too thick for his vessel to go to sea, and so he returned to Jacksonville. On the 29th He again started on his wrecking trip, but the weather was still heavy and he concluded to go inside, through Hawks channel.

While in the channel he discovered signals of distress flying from a point on No Name Key. He put in to the island and found thirty-five men in great distress suffering from exposure to the weather and want of food. There was also a quantity of freightage in unbroken boxes and packages. What they contained he did not know. He took the men and freight on board New Year's Day, and as nearly as he could recollect on the 3rd of January he delivered them at sea. To whom they were delivered he does not say.

Has to Sue for His Own Child.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 13.—Habeas corpus proceedings have been begun for the recovery of Florence Schmall, the 13-year-old daughter of Adolph Schmall, of Louisville, whose wife died in that city in 1890. After the death of Mrs. Schmall, William Weaver and his wife suddenly disappeared from Louisville with Florenus, then 7 years old. Efforts were made by the father to locate his child, but he was not successful until a few days ago, when he learned that she was in this city. He came here and located her in the Weaver family, who will make an effort to hold the girl. The father refuses to prosecute for kidnaping, simply asking for the custody of his child.

Cause of a Pennsylvania Strike.

Huntington, Pa., Jan. 13.—The miners in the Robertsdale and Woodvale bituminous districts in this county have struck because one of the mine drivers in the Robertsdale region was not given his regular mule team to drive. The Woodvale miners quit through sympathy. The miners had been working only two days a week, and the strike occurred just as work had commenced on a large order that would have kept them steadily employed.

Wreck on the Panhandle Road.

Pittsburg, Jan. 13.—The Panhandle limited was wrecked Monday night near McDonald, Pa. A bad rail is supposed to have caused the accident. President Roberts and party of the Pennsylvania railway were on the train and their cars were thrown from the tracks, but none of the party was injured. Chief Engineer T. D. Johnson was seriously but not fatally hurt.

Waited Three Months for Death.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 13.—Ed Thorsen, a hotel proprietor who shot a bullet into his brain three months ago, died Monday night. He had attended to business as usual with the bullet in his head.

Smith-White Fight a Draw.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Smith-White fight was declared a draw at the end of 25 rounds.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

In July next an international philatelic exhibition will be opened in Piccadilly, and is expected to surpass all previous expositions of this kind in size and importance.

Marriage License Clerk Submenson, of Chicago, yesterday issued a license to a couple, the man of which was 73 years of age and 40 years the senior of his bride.

Within a week or so it is said a child will be born to the Count and Countess de Castellane, nee Gould.

President Nick Young, in a letter of advice to the base ball players of the league, says he knows of no better model for young players than Captain Anson.

There is New England senatorial authority for saying that Senator Hawley, of Connecticut, is being urged on McKinley for secretary of war.

Henry Gardner started out at Chicago with a revolver, a knife and a bottle of poison. He wanted to kill his wife and then himself. Detectives disarmed him before any damage was done. Gardner is hopelessly insane.

Henry Williams, aged 23, an excessive smoker of cigarettes, is puzzling the physicians at Wheatland, Mich. He has been in a comatose state for thirty-six hours and his mind is a total blank. Williams is a graduate of Hillsdale college.

Chicago citizens consumed 3,198,222 barrels of beer in 1896, an increase of 549,887 barrels over 1895. This total amount means in gallons 99,144,882; in drinks, allowing sixteen to each gallon, 1,586,318,112; in dollars, at 5 cents a glass, $79,315,905.

Obituary: At New York, General Ramon Pelz, ex-Venezuelan consul, 67. At Pontiac, Ills., Philip Rollins, 84. At Sycamore, Ills., Wirt Anderson, 24. At Janesville, Wis., Matthew Peterson, 73.

Henry Miller, a one-time wealthy Chicago butcher, committed suicide in a hardware store in San Francisco by shooting himself in the head. He lost upward of $100,000 on the board of trade.

James McGreevy committed suicide at Chicago by firing a bullet into his brain in the presence of his wife, with whom he had quarreled. He had been drinking heavily of late.

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M. Leon's Vote.

It was often said of M. Adrien Leon, who has just died near Bayonne, France, that he saved the republic by a single vote. On Feb. 27, 1875, when the remodeling of the constitution was debated, M. Walton's amendment fixing the conditions for the election of the president was regarded as the crucial test on which the fate of France depended. Leon, sitting in the right center, hesitated, but was persuaded by Gambetta to support the Republicans at the last moment, and the amendment was carried by a majority of one.

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THE common council could remove a cloud of uncertainty by giving over to the jurisdiction of Mr. Charles W. Hall that portion of the city known as the mouth of the St. Joseph river.

IT is reported that the Cuban revolutionists have captured and destroyed Arroyo Naranjo, one of the largest suburbs of Havana. It is about time for Weyler to issue another statement that the island has been "pacified"

SPEAKING of ice machines the thought suggests itself that there is a fortune for the genius who will invent one that has practical merit and yet at the same time be small enough to fit unobserved into a coffin.

WHAT does it mean that Senator Blakeslee should be given a place on the saline committee of the senate? Berrien county has not a single salt block. Some of the senator's friends look upon the appointment as honor mixed with irony. Mr. Blakeslee is the only man prominent in the affairs of the county who knows anything about that peculiar sort of salt which preserves against the snares and smiles of pretty maidens.

OUR senator and representative have been well taken care of in the appointment of committees in the state legislature. Senator Blakeslee is chairman of committee on taxation and a member of the following committees: Executive business, finance and appropriations, religious and benevolent societies and saline interests. Representative Vancamp is a member of the following committees: Military affairs, normal school, state affairs and supplies and expenditures. It is said that all the important committees including the one who will have charge of Governor Pingree's railroad, anti-corporation and other reform bills contain two anti-Pingree men to one in favor of these measures.

GEMS FROM STATE EDITORS

Kalamazoo Telegraph: William McKinley was formally elected president Monday. The electors in the several states met and cast their votes.

Grand Rapids Herald: If the inhabitants of Mars are again signaling the earth, the earth should slow down and find out what the Martians want.

Detroit Tribune: It must have kept the shade of Andrew Jackson humping Friday to be a Bryan Democrat and a Cleveland Democrat in so many different places at the same time.

Kalamazoo News: Your "Uncle James" Monroe continues to draw "crowded houses" of the faithful from all over Western Michigan. Your "Uncle James" also continues to be the most subtle smiler and graceful sphynx of Michigan politics.

Muskegon Chronicle: Several Illinois newspapers poke fun at this state, and say now that Pingree is governor the state house grounds will be planted to potatoes. If Governor Altgeld had run more to potatoes and less to pardons, Illinois would be better off and in better shape to mock Michigan. Even the eye of a potato could discern that fact.

Kalamazoo News: The most surprising expose in Governor Pingree's message, and one which will open the eyes of the taxpayers of Michigan, is that the people pay ten times as large a percentage of tax as the railroads. The railroads pay a little over two mills on the dollar on their property while the people pay about twenty-five mills on the dollar.

A Story of Crisp.

Here is a little story of the late Charles Frederick Crisp: In one of the counties of his district there was a little weekly newspaper to which he faithfully subscribed. When he would come home from Washington, he always sought the editor and demanded to know if his subscription had not expired. On one of these occasions, meeting with the editor, he handed him a $5 bill, saying:

"I have missed three issues of my paper, and I am sure I must be in arrears. Take that and call it square."

"But," said the editor, "the paper is only $1 a year, and your subscription won't be out until January."

"That's all right," replied Crisp, "but you keep the money." And then in a whisper, "I never saw an editor yet that didn't need it."—Atlanta Constitution.

Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers is a popular preparation in one bottle and colors evenly a brown or black. Any person can easily apply it at home.

William Jennings Bryan ate a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said 'twas the only thing that could calm his troubled spirits. Bird always keeps the best.

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Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

HE DARED 'EM OUT.

Representative Johnson of California Makes a Circus of Himself.

JUMPS ON HIS COLLEAGUES.

A Hot Time Witnessed in the House of Representatives on Tuesday.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Johnson of California furnished the entertainment again in the house yesterday. His speech this time began with a charge that Maguire had put things into The Record that were a personal attack on himself (Johnson), things that had not been spoken on the floor of the house. Johnson began calmly to recite his grievance, but it was apparent that he was keyed up to a high tension. He had seen fit, he said, during the debate on the funding bill to point out some "underlying facts" behind the opposition to the bill. But he had done so "openly and boldly." He had spoken of what he knew, and he had been responsible for what he had said. He had heard the attack of Cooper, but had been unable to get the floor to reply to it. He had now noticed in The Record a personal attack on himself by the gentleman from California (Maguire) printed under the privilege granted to members of extending their remarks. He was not familiar with the privileges of the house in this regard, but he would assume that the privilege only gave a member an opportunity to amplify his remarks on the pending measure.

Had Been "Laying" for Maguire.

He said he had been informed that he was to be personally assailed by Maguire Monday, not for what he had said of him (Maguire), but of another. He had waited all day in anticipation of the attack, but none had come, and instead of the open attack he had found this bitter personal assault in The Record. He desired now to say a few words about the matters touched upon in the printed assault because he wanted the "antidote to go with the poison." He went on to denounce Maguire's statement as a wanton and malicious disregard of the rights of members. He also referred to the fact that a St. Louis correspondent had telegraphed to his paper that Maguire was going to expose the "skeletons in his closet," to show that this was no sudden burst of wrath on the part of Maguire. He further said he had received a telegram saying that Hearst's paper in San Francisco had already printed Maguire's remarks and the charges made.

He Confesses His Early Sin.

"It is," Johnson said, "just as well for me to face this matter now as later, and meet the cowardly insinuations made against me at the dictation of William R. Hearst. It is true that thirty years ago I was in trouble in New York; that I was indicted; that I went to California to rear a new home and live down the past; but it is untrue that I went under an assumed name." He went on to describe how he had worked in Sacramento to make amends for the past. His voice shook as he told how "by the blessings of God and the help of my good wife" he had at last been able to pay back every dollar he owed. The house greeted him with hearty applause.

BUILT UP A NAME TO BE PROUD OF,

In Spite of His Youthful Indiscretion—"This Person Called Hearst."

Continuing he told how ever since 1870 he had returned each year to Syracuse and had been received there at the scene of his youthful indiscretion. He told of the honors he had been accorded in California, where the story was known; but it had remained "for the man from the Fourth district of California [Maguire] to delve like a ghoul into the past in order to disgrace my wife and family. I tell this to show that I am not ashamed of my life; that I have not concealed this blot upon it; can every man in this house and this country say as much? In Sacramento I have built up a name and a fame any man might be proud of." In 1886, Johnson continued, he had been again nominated, and although the bitterest fight ever known had ben made against him he had carried every election district in Sacramento, and had carried the county by 1,200.

He had ben most viciously attacked by editorials and caricatures only by "this person called Hearst." The honored speaker of the house and Boutelle had been similarly attacked, while visiting California last summer, but the attacks upon them had been but the drippings of a brook besides Niagara, compared with those on him. He said copies of the paper had been sent to his (Johnson's) wife while she lay on a bed of sickness in danger of death, and the caricatures and editorials had been put in envelopes as correspondence, that she might not fail to get them. He asked: "Is it wonderful that I struck back when the opportunity came? Is there any man who would do less except the gentleman from California, James G. Maguire?"

He knew he would be attacked, but did not expect to be in such an infamous, under-handed cowardly manner. There was a race in Ireland called informers; there were hired assassins in Italy, and paid spies in Russia; but any one of them would have scorned to do what the gentleman from California had done. Referring to his attack on Hearst, he said: "Every charge I made is capable of proof. I do not shelter myself behind my constitutional privilege. Everything I say as a member of congress I am responsible for as a citizen personally and financially."

In a dramatic way Johnson appealed to the chivalry of the members from the south, whether their constituents would not tell them to repudiate such attacks on a brother member. Then in an equally dramatic manner he turned to the Republican side and appealed to those from the north. He appealed to the patriarch of the house (Grow of Pennsylvania) to know whether in all his experience he had known a man to be attacked in such an indecent, unjust, unmanly way. Cooper of Wisconsin attacked him and accused him of being cowardly because he assailed a man behind his back. Yet Hearst, safely ensconced in New York, sent orders to California, 3,500 miles away to have him caricatured and abused. "If either the gentleman from Wisconsin [Cooper] or the gentleman from California [Maguire] thinks I am cowardly, let either repeat to me outside this chamber what he has said inside, and his curiosity will be appeased."

In conclusion he said, "There is a statute of limitations in every civilized nation against crime. Is it right to go back thirty-four years and unlock the secret chambers and bring out the skeletons of my past and shake them before the people; to forever throw at a man the follies and crimes of his youth? Should there not be a statute of limitation against this? Oh! may the day come in this nation when men will be judged solely by their acts in the present, and no man, no newspaper, will delve into his past and bring sorrow to his wife, his children and to the gray hairs he has earned in building up a good name."

MAGUIRE REPLIES TO JOHNSON.

Explains Why He Came to Attack the Latter in The Record.

There was deep silence when Maguire rose to reply. He began: "I never printed anything, I never asked any man to print anything, I never said anything anywhere that I am not willing to repeat before any man myself. Last week one of the most remarkable, indecent, malicious speeches I ever heard anywhere was made here against a man absent from this place, not even able to lift up his voice to say nay in this presence." He related that he had prepared the addition to his speech to which Johnson objected; had endeavored to get recognition Friday and Saturday to deliver it, and on Monday had asked the speaker if he could not deliver it as a matter of personal privilege, but had been refused. In the part of the speech to which Johnson objected no one could find anything unparliamentary, but the description fitted Johnson as the man who had so cowardly attacked the boyhood of another. He read the charges made by Johnson against Hearst and emphatically declared them false. Continuing, he said some very complimentary things of Hearst's newspaper in New York, characterizing it as the greatest newspaper on earth. This part of his speech evoked a chorus of groans from the house and amid much laughter Maguire concluded.

The house was still buzzing with excitement when Poole, the member from Syracuse, Johnson's old home, moved to expunge Maguire's remarks from The Record. Poole explained that he and Johnson had been schoolmates fifty years ago. He described Johnson as a man of excellent family and a bright scholar as a boy, and he also alluded briefly to his trouble when he was indicted for forgery. "But," said he, "we knew he would redeem himself and he did." An attempt to have Johnson's remarks also stricken out was defeated, as was one to refer the matter to the committee on rules. Maguire's remarks were then stricken out. The only other matter of interest in the house was that the speaker sustained the point of order against recommitting the Pacific railways funding bill.

SENATE TALKS MUCH POLITICS.

Gets in the Discussion While Considering the Free Homestead Bill.

Some lively political sparring marked the later hours of the senate session. The free homestead bill was under discussion and Allen found opportunity for questioning Vilas of Wisconsin concerning the party differences of last fall. It brought out much difference of opinion as to whether the Democratic platform was made at Chicago or at Indianapolis. Vilas declared that there was almost nothing in the Chicago platform not inimical to the interests of the government. He insisted that the Indianapolis platform was founded throughout in Democracy.

Allen characterized the Indianapolis platfrom as a "rump affair." The controversy became very lively and took a wide range. The homestead bill was further debated, but a vote was not reached. Vilas attacked it as a measure giving away $35,000,000 of government money. Nelson of Minnesota, Allen and Peffer spoke for the bill. Hill, who has not addressed the senate of late, spoke in favor of a law fixing four years as the term of fourth class postmasters.

International Silver Conference Bill.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Republican senatorial caucus yesterday did not result in any final action upon the question of international bimetallism, which the caucus was called to consider, but adjourned until Friday. This failure was due to the fact that the language of the bill prepared by the Wolcott committee was objectionable to some. The bill as drafted provides for the consideration of the "free coinage" of silver. Some of the western members of the caucus wanted it amended so as to provide for "free and unlimited coinage." It was decided that the bill should state just what was wanted, and understood that the Democrats and Populists should be consulted.

CHILDREN DROWNED AT ST. LOUIS.

Five Who Went Skating and the Ice Gave Way with Them.

St. Louis, Jan. 13.—Five children were drowned in this city yesterday afternoon while skating. At Kossuth avenue and Ashland place, a crowd of children were skating on the ice in an old quarry. The ice gave way and the children were precipitated into the water and drowned before help could reach them. They are Amanda Arnold, aged 15, Arthur Arnold, 13, George Matthews, 9, Sadie Matthews, 14, John Gleason, aged 15, who made a heroic attempt to rescue his playmates, fell into the water and as a result is in a serious condition. In another part of the city Al Velmer, aged 11, was drowned in a pond while skating.

News Paper Pool Is Dead.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Evening Post says: "It is learned definitely that the negotiations which have been pending for several weeks between manufacturers of white paper used by newspapers to effect a pooling arangement whereby the product of all mills should be handled by a stock company, has been abandoned."

Order of Railway Conductors.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 13.—The board of directors of the Order of Railway Conductors of America is in session at the general offices in this city. The business before them pertains only to the inside workings of the organization.

EASY TO GET FAT.

If Your Drink is Right.

Skinny people generally are so, because of their inability to digest the food which is passed from the stomach into the bowels. The bowel digestion is weakened. Starches of the grains make fat tissue, but if the bowel digestion is weakened by coffee, tobacco, whiskey, etc., the person remains skinny. Leave off the weakening habits and use in place of coffee, Postum Cereal, the health coffee. It is made by the Postum Cereal Co. (Lim), Battle Creek, Mich., entirely of grains, and is fattening. It looks like the finest Mocha coffee. Persons who care to lay aside their hurtful habits and eat plain well cooked food and some fruit, and drink Postum Cereal Food Coffee, will feel a great improvement in a week's time. Nature is a powerful builder if left free to work without drugs and poisons.

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TONICS.

Two Edged Swords Capable of Mischief as Well as Benefit.

There is perhaps no class of remedial agents more abused than tonics. The abuse consists both in the excessive use and the misapplication of this class of agents, which, within a restricted field, possess an indisputable and important therapeutic value. The misuse of tonics is doubtless the outgrowth of a misconception of the real nature of this class of remedial agents and its limitations. Many physicians also seem to lose sight of the fact that tonics are, as has been aptly said of drugs in general, two edged swords, which are as capable of mischief as of benefit. Indeed, when the true nature of tonics—as is true, in fact, of most medicinal agents—is thoroughly understood, it is apparent that even in cases in which they accomplish the maximum of benefit there is also a certain amount of injury inflicted upon the organism, so that the effect obtained is really and simply the difference between the chief done and the good accomplished. If the difference is on one side, the total result is benefit; if on the other side, the result is harm. This principle holds good with regard to most remedies, whether the means employed is a drug or a nonmedicinal agent.

The popular idea of a tonic is well expressed in the following definition, which we find in the National Medical Dictionary, "An agent which augments gradually and permanently the strength and vital activity of the body or its parts." A stimulant is defined by the same authority as being "an agent which increases the functional activity of any organ or series of organs." The distinction made seems to be that a stimulant produces temporary excitement, whereas a tonic produces a permanent increase of strength and vital activity.—Good Health.

Spoons are of nearly the same size all over the civilized world, and four tablespoonfuls make what in medical parlance is denominated a wineglassful.

Edgar, the Saxon king of England, was the Peaceable, from his dislike of war.

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38 in. all Wool Dress Plaids, . at 29c a yd.
50 in. all Wool Navy blue and black Serges, ... at 67 1-2c a yd.

SHOES--AFTER CHRISTMAS PRICE REDUCTION...

Men's Velvet Embroidered Slippers, at 49c, worth 75c.
Men's Leather Tan and Black Slippers at 75c, worth $1.00.
Men's Leather Tan and Black Slippers at 98c, worth $1.25.
Men's Leather Tan and Black Slippers at $1.50, worth $2.00.

RUGS AND CHENILLE COVERS

Chenille Covers . . . . . at 44c each
Rugs,. . . . . at 98c each

Our fixed policy of selling all goods possible at the end of the season for which they were bought combine to make this Pre-Inventory clearance unusually imperative.

PUTERBAUGH & RAPP

NEW YORK STORE, 107 Pipestone Street..

Have You Considered

That you could sell that house and lot by expending a small amount of money for

A Coat of Paint..

We sell the celebrated Buckeye Paints, none better, and several other brands just as good.

For the next thirty days we will make special prices on

Red Cross Stoves and House Paints

This is no fancy story but a bona fide sale. The quality and price will please you.

Benton Harbor Hardware Co.

HUTT & ANDERSON, Proprietors...

Gold Medal..

America's Greatest Family Flour

Sensible Girls, Careful Wives and all Good Housekeepers when ordering Flour always ask for

..Gold Medal

Ask your Grocer for it.

FRED A. HOBBS, Pres. T. T. HOBBS, Vice Pres. WILL H. POUNDSTONE, Sec

Benton Fuel Company

..COAL..

ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED

Yards, Highland Avenue.
Office, Graham & Morton Building.
Telephone, 24-4.
Benton Harbor, Mich.

Dunbar's ..Market

Michener Bros. & Co's Banana Hams,
Swift's Jersey Butterine,
Oysters, Fish, Etc.

H. P. BOEHM

WILL GRIND YOUR

BUCKWHEAT

At 112 West Main street while you wait. Custom grinding a specialty.

We also keep Buckwheat Flour, Feed, etc., for sale.

H. P. BOEHM

Jackson Coal..

On account of a strike in the Jackson Coal District no Jackson Coal can be bought. Having a stock of this celebrated coal we offer it to the trade at old prices.

C. GODFREY & CO.

BICYCLE and GENERAL REPAIRING

We have put in a line of new machinery which enables us to do any kind of repairing. Mr. D. W. Lewis has established his headquarters with us and is prepared to repair and warrant anything in the Bicycle, Gun, Typewriter, Lock, Sewing Machine and tinker line. Give us a trial,

HINKLE & BAUSHKE

145 Pipestone Street.

Wanted—An Idea Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Boots, Shoes and Rubbers

REPAIRED

In a first class manner by

MILO MOORE

With Peck & Wells

Bargain in a Steam Engine...

I have a new Kimball five horse power steam engine, same pattern as the one in THE EVENING NEWS office, I will sell at a ridiculously low price.

W. H. Berkheiser

Mfr. Grills, Newalls, Posts, Balustrades
159 West Main Sreet.

Pumps .. Wells

We are prepared to furnish anything in the well line at lowest prices.

All kinds of Well and Pump Repairs.

Leave orders with us for first class well work done by Pond Bros. All work guaranteed.

Hinkle & Baushke

145 Pipestone St.

RAILWAY TIME CARDS.

CHICAGO & WEST MICHIGAN RAILWAY
In effect Sept 27, 1896.

Going South			Stations.	Going North		
a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		p.m.	p.m.	a.m
6:30	1:25	11:50	Grand Rapids	1:25	10:30	6:00
11:55	3:50	2:25	Benton H'rbor	10:30	8:00	3:00
12:05	3:57	2:45	St. Joseph	10:20	7:53	2:45
3:00	6:50	6:30	Chicago	7:20	5:00	11:30
p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	p.m.

GEO. DEHAVEN, Gen. Pass. Agt., Grand Rapids
JAS. MAHONEY, Agt., Benton Harbor.

DETROIT, GD. RAPIDS & WESTERN R. R.

Trains leave Grand Rapids for Lansing and Detroit at 7:00 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and 5:25 p. m
For Saginaw at 7:10 a. m. and 4:20 p. m.
Parlor cars on all trains; seats 25 cents.

VANDALIA LINE.

TIME TABLE—In effect Nov. 2, 1896.

Train leave St. Joseph, Mich., for the south:
No. 11 Ex. Sun.....11:00 a. m. for Terre Haute.
No. 15 Ex. Sun.....5:30 p. m. for Logansport.

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address
FRANK R. HALE, Agent St. Joseph, Mich.
Or E. A. FORD, Gen. Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo

C. C. C. & ST. L. RAILWAY.
MICHIGAN DIVISION.

No. 23 leaves Benton Harbor at 7:00 a. m. for Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati and intermediate points. No. 25 leaves at 1:00 p. m. for Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati and intermediate points. No. 27 leaves at 5:00 p. m. Elkhart accommodation. Arrive at Benton Harbor: No. 23, 8:50 a. m. No. 25, 2:10 p. m. No 24, 6:40

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin," and one taste of Bird's candy makes a man feel at ease with himself and his mother-in-law. Bird always keeps the best.

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Berrien county combined. It is fine work that has built up the trade.

Come Down

Don't try to do your own baking when we are selling our best

Bread at 3 Cents a Loaf

We defy competition in bakery goods when first-class material is used..

S. M. AUSTIN

Bakery and Grocery, 118 East Main Street..

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Benton Harbor, Mich. Near the Graham & Morton boat landing, where you can procure good meals or lunches before taking any steamer or train. A. L. WILCOX.

Lunches a Specialty.

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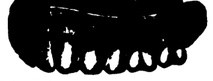

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Finest Outfit.... in Southwestern Michigan.

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Leave orders at Owens' Grocery.

This great remedy CURES all Nervous Diseases, such as Weak Memory, Loss of Brain Power, Lost Manhood, Nightly Emissions, Evil Dreams; and strengthens the Generative Organs of either sex, that may be impaired through youthful errors, which soon lead to Consumption and Insanity. Sold with a guarantee to cure, or money refunded. $1 per box, six for $5. Easily carried in vest pocket. Write us for FREE BOOK and TESTIMONIALS. Ask our Druggists for them; take no other.—Or address NERVE DROP CO., Grand Rapids, Mich.

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WILL CHAPMAN.

We are not the cheapest store in town for we strictly guarantee every article we sell.

WILL CHAPMAN,
Jeweler Engraver

No charge for engraving.

109 Pipestone street.

JEWELER AND ENGRAVER.

Notice.

Having sold out my business I wish to get all accounts due me turned into cash as rapidly as possible. Those having book accounts and stove contracts please take especial notice.

395tf DON A. WENTWORTH.

Rates to the Inauguration.

On account of the inauguration the Big Four will sell special excursion tickets to Washington, good going March 1, 2 and 3, and leaving Washington not earlier than March 4 and not later than March 8, inclusive, at one first class fare for the round trip.

L. G. SMITH, Agent.

Go to F. W. Jones, 146 East Main street, for horse shoeing. New shoes 25 cents, resetting, 12½ cents. 397tf6

Q. What is sweeter than life? Ans. A box of Bird's candy. Bird always keeps the best.

Pro Patria, a gentleman's smoke; 10. cigar for 5c. Beware of imitations See that your cigar is stamped Pro Patria. Geo. Moebs & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

Have you got wood ready? Stick them into Bird's fine taffy. Bird always sells the best.

Wanted.

Customers for corn, corn fodder, potatoes and apples. If you want good potatoes or apples for winter use put in your cellar at hard time prices, we've got 'em. Will sell our corn in the car or shock. Inquire or leave your orders at the office, West Michigan Nurseries, 155 Pipestone street or O. C Howe, Eau Claire 316t

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation.

CAUTION

THE greatly increased price of cream of tartar, the chief ingredient of a pure baking powder, has induced some manufacturers to substitute burnt alum (which costs but 3 cts. a pound), largely or wholly in lieu thereof, making a very low cost but a very unwholesome baking powder; and great efforts are made to foist these inferior powders upon consumers by the inducement of a lower price and by grossly false representations as to their ingredients and comparative value.

Alum baking powders have been declared by the most competent authorities injurious to health. Therefore every precaution must be taken to keep them out of the house. They masquerade under many names, and new brands are continually appearing.

It is safe to avoid all new brands. Baking powders that are sold either wholesale or retail at a lower price than Royal are almost invariably made from alum, and therefore not only inferior in quality, but positively dangerous to health.

Consumers can be more certainly protected from alum baking powders, and make the wholesomeness of their food doubly sure, by rigidly refusing all substitutes for Royal Baking Powder. The Royal is certified by the Government and State chemists free from alum, absolutely pure, and superlative in leavening power.

It is unwise to take chances by the use of other brands.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 WALL ST., NEW-YORK.

THEY DRIED UP.

Four Sailors on a Desert Island Were Cremated by Natural Heat.

Uncle Robert William Quimby of Lewiston says that he has traveled in all the warm countries of the globe and that he has been in the coldest latitudes. He does not think that we have such very hot weather. If people would make provision for the hot days as they do in India, he thinks we should not notice it so much.

"But," says he, "the warmest weather that I ever experienced was on a small island called John's Biscuit, off Cape Gracias, on Honduras. The Elizabeth Jennings, on which I sailed in 1870 from Portland, stopped there for water, and a boat's crew went ashore for it. It was a little volcanic island and awful dry and hot We didn't know whether there would be any water there or not, but we did find a spring with a stream as large as a broom handle pouring out all the time. And, do you believe me, the water was dried up and soaked up before it had run four feet in the sand. The place was covered with dried trees, and a little distance away was what looked like a hut—a habitation for man. We went in and found the shrunken remains of four men—sailors—who had died in one night, to judge from appearances. One was leaning against the wall in a sitting position. There was dry food on the table, dry meat in a box, and everything was burning dry.

"A letter in the pocket of one man was dated Liverpool, 1846, and on the table was a bottle with a note in it, evidently intended to be cast adrift. It said they were four English seamen, marooned by the captain, left to die. The noted was dated 1846, and I suppose they had been there dead in that hut for over 80 years, and they must have died of heat one day and dried right up. We left them where we found them."—Lewiston Journal.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE Home Forum will install officers tonight.

MEETING of the board of trade next Friday night. Business of great importance.

JAMES Pound is pleasing hosts of customers daily at his big clearance sale which runs this week only.

THE marsh near the Alden canning factory has frozen over and the excellent skating afforded enjoyment for a large crowd of young people last night.

J. O. VANHORN has received another special consignment of underwear which will be sold at a very low price. See further particulars in new advertisement.

THE steamers Jay Gould and City of Duluth came in early this morning from Chicago and discharged their freight for transfer over the Vandalia and Big Four.

THE Lion dry goods house in St. Joseph will have a change in their advertisement tomorrow, and as the prices are so low that they will startle you, you cannot help reading it.

THE Benton Harbor Mandolin club will render some fine music and C. E. Reeves, formerly an editor of the Palladium, will deliver an address at the Bimetallic club rooms tonight. The public is invited.

DEPUTY Sheriff Tennant went to Buchanan this morning with Wesley Fowler who is charged with forging the signature of G. W. Rowe to checks of $5 each. Fowler is having his preliminary hearing today.

THE following item, clipped from an Ann Arbor paper, has been going the rounds of the state press: All traffic at Benton Harbor is blocked, until the water subsides. Thousands of acres of land are overflowed, bridges are gone, and buildings on the level ground are flooded. The Big Four railroad tracks in the city limits are under four feet of water.

AN Indian who came down from Bangor yesterday became maliciously mischievous this afternoon as a result of an over-indulgence in alcoholic beverages and was imprisoned in the city jail. He was arrested at the residence of Brace Knapp where he went to pay a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, and was conveyed to jail in a buggy.

B. L. HALL this afternoon secured the contract for the plumbing, hot water heating, and lighting, of the Lancaster residence and barn across the Paw Paw. Mr. Lancaster will put in a gas plant of his own. Mr. Hall has also made a contract for plumbing and putting hot water heating in the new Powers residence. Lake avenue.

A REPUBLICAN county convention to place in nomination a candidate for county commissioner of schools and select delegates to the state convention will be held in St. Joseph Wednesday, February 17. In addition to arranging the date for the above convention the county republican committee named Dr. Fred Belknap, of Niles, as temporary chairman of the convention. The state convention will be held at Detroit February 22.

THE W. W. T. Chautauquans will meet with Miss Francis Hall, Friday eve at 7 o'clock, to go to the College.

NEWS OF THE STATE

Rev Fr. Rose, who has been pastor of the Roman Catholic church at Croswell, has resigned his pastorate and will move to Deerfield this week, where he will have charge of a church.

The Eames-Morgan litigation has been reopened at Ann Arbor by the appointment of commissioners to investigate the claims that the late E. W. Morgan took in trust $50,000 worth of New York property, which was never restored to the rightful owners. With interest the claim now amounts to $215,417.66.

William Henry, of Edwardsburg, Cass county, died suddenly in Denver where he was sojourning with his wife. George W. Morse, of Edwardsburg, now claims to have evidence that Henry was poisoned to get possession of the $15,000 insurance which he carried on his life. Henry left Edwardsburg in good health and his death will be investigated. Mrs. Henry is said to be in San Francisco.

Hon. Harsen D. Smith, of Cassopolis, who was chosen messenger of the Michigan presidential electors, is a very popular man. His many friends rejoice at his good fortune. He will deliver the vote of Michigan at Washington on or before *Feb. 15. His expenses are* paid by the United States government.

The Grand Rapids Democrat is likely to be sold at a small figure. An offer of $18,000 is made for the plant.

Alderman Coot, governor Pingree's right hand man in Detroit, has been turned down for renomination as congressman.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Following are the prices paid to farmers for their produce by Benton Harbor dealers.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6, 1897.

Wheat, per bu	85
Corn	20
Oats	18
Buckwheat per cwt	75 @ 80
Rye	28
Butter	12 @ 14
Eggs	13 @ 15
Lard	6
Hogs, per cwt	$1 00
Beef cattle	$5 00 @ $5 50
Veal calves, per lb	6½@ 7
Mutton, per lb	6
Chickens, dressed	7 to 8
" alive	6c
Turkeys, dressed per lb	10
Ducks, dressed per lb	10
Geese, dressed per lb	10
Beans, per bu	60 @ 80
Apples, per bu	12½ @ 25
Potatoes, per bu	12½@15
Parsnips, per bu	25
Turnips, per bu	10
Onions, per bu	75 @ $1 00
Hard wood, per cord	$1 75

Butter and eggs are becoming more plentiful and as the supply in the market increases the prices go down.

Six weeks ago our local merchants were buying onions for 25 cents a bushel and were not very anxious to purchase them even at this figure. Today if a farmer should bring in a load of onions he would find a ready market at from 75 cents to $1 a bushel.

SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

Harry Darling, the hypnotist, assisted by A. T. Wheeler, the contortionist, will give an entertainment next Saturday night at the Fair Plain school house for the benefit of the Fair Plain band. Both young men have local reputations and are quite skilled in their respective arts.

Harry L. Bird left this morning for a business and pleasure trip through the eastern part of the state. He expects to be gone until February 1.

Mrs. Ida Parks was called to Dowagiac yesterday on account of the death of her neice.

M. L. Colburn left this morning for Baroda and other towns along the Vandalia in the interest of the La Creole cigar company.

Captain M. J. Stettins owner of the steam yacht Laura S. is in the city today on business.

H. D. Deam, of the B. H. & E. project is out of the city today on business.

F. W. Sessions and wife returned last night from Spring Lake where they have been visiting relatives for the past month.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Green are staying with Mrs. W. F. Mills during the illness of their brother Thomas, with diphtheria.

The annual meeting of the Congregational Ladies' Aid Society will be held tomorrow, Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. R. M. Jones on Washington St., at 3.00. Election of officers and other business. Every lady interested in the church is urged to be present. Please bring thimble, needles, thread, and silk scraps.

The Ossoli club will meet on Friday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. J. M. Allmendinger, Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Arthur Raucier of Dowagiac, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Wolfred, Jennings avenue.

Ira Morrill returned home yesterday from Cassopolis.

C. E. Jenkins returned home yesterday after a few week's visit with relatives at Eau Claire and Dowagiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Hopkins entertained a progressive pedro club last evening at their home on Washington street. There were 14 couples present and the evening was spent very happily. The first favors were won by Charles Stone and Mrs. Willis E. Kennedy, and the second by Willis E. Kennedy and Miss Mary Kennedy.

Samuel V. Phillips, who has made a host of friends here since becoming a member of the Enterprise Mercantile company, was given a pleasant surprise at his home on Cherry street last night in honor of his birthday. Mr. Phillips was sitting in his cozy parlor when suddenly a knock came at the door and when Mr. Phillips responded he was greeted by about 20 of his neighbors and friends. The evening quickly passed with music, dancing and games after which Mrs. Phillips invited the jolly company into the dining room where a dainty supper was spread. At a late hour the guests took their departure for their respective homes all voting Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and their two boys charming entertainers.

About 75 delighted guests from city and country crowded the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Southworth on Euclid avenue last evening to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. The gathering was distinguished by true cordiality and an absence of conventionalities. Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst, of Evanston, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Gamble from Plainwell, assisted in receiving the guests. After an hour spent in social conversation refreshments were served which bore abundant evidence of the good taste and hospitality of the hostess. After refreshments were served Rev. Mr. French, in behalf of the assembled guests presented to the pair a purse containing between $50 and $60 in gold. When Mr. French makes a presentation speech the people always expect something good and are never disappointed. J. O. Rowe, in behalf of the Odd Fellows of this city, presented Mr. Southworth with a gold headed cane. Mrs. Coon, of Indianapolis, sent a handsome rose pillow besides which there were numerous similar but valuable gifts. Beautiful flowers were presented by Mrs. Parkhurst and Mrs. John Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Southworth were married at Gloversville, N. Y., Tuesday, January 12, 1847, and have resided at their present home 37 years.

A number of the guests attended their silver wedding, among them were Dr. and Mrs John Bell, Mrs. Charles and Mrs. M. A. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred and Mrs. Robert Spink.

Real Estate Transfers.

Lillie E. Pinper to Charles C. Hansen lots 7 to 16, block 1, Lake Shore addition, Bridgman, $200.

Caroline Decker to John Andrews 25 acres in Benton township, $700.

Peter Womer to Gottlip Boyle property in Buchanan, $250.

"I was troubled with my stomach, kidneys and liver. I told my wife I was going to try Hood's Sarsaparilla and I did so and in a short time I was better and was able to sleep well at night." Nathaniel Wise, Cassopolis, Mich.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills.

Probate Court.

Estate of Albion Smith, deceased. Petition filed by George M. Smith, administrator of said estate, for license to sell the real estate of deceased for the payment of debts. Hearing February 8 at 10 a. m.

We close at 6 except Saturday and Monday...

..Now for the Big Winter Clearance Sale..

We close at 6 except Saturday and Monday...

Past Records Broken...

We propose to make this sale the greatest event of our history. Every dollar's worth of surplus stock has been marked at prices to close it in a month; cost, former value and loss will not be considered; we are bound to sell the goods. We mean just what we say and want you to regard every word as a cold fact. We consider it a wise loss and take it cheerfully. The sale will last just one month and it is a buying opportunity that none should miss.

Clothing...

We don't intend to have any old clothing on our hands, no matter what we lose by getting rid of them, so if you are wise you will take advantage of the lowest prices ever made on high class clothing.

Lot No. 1—All men's suits sold at $5 and 6.50, a good assortment to select from, you take your choice at $3 50

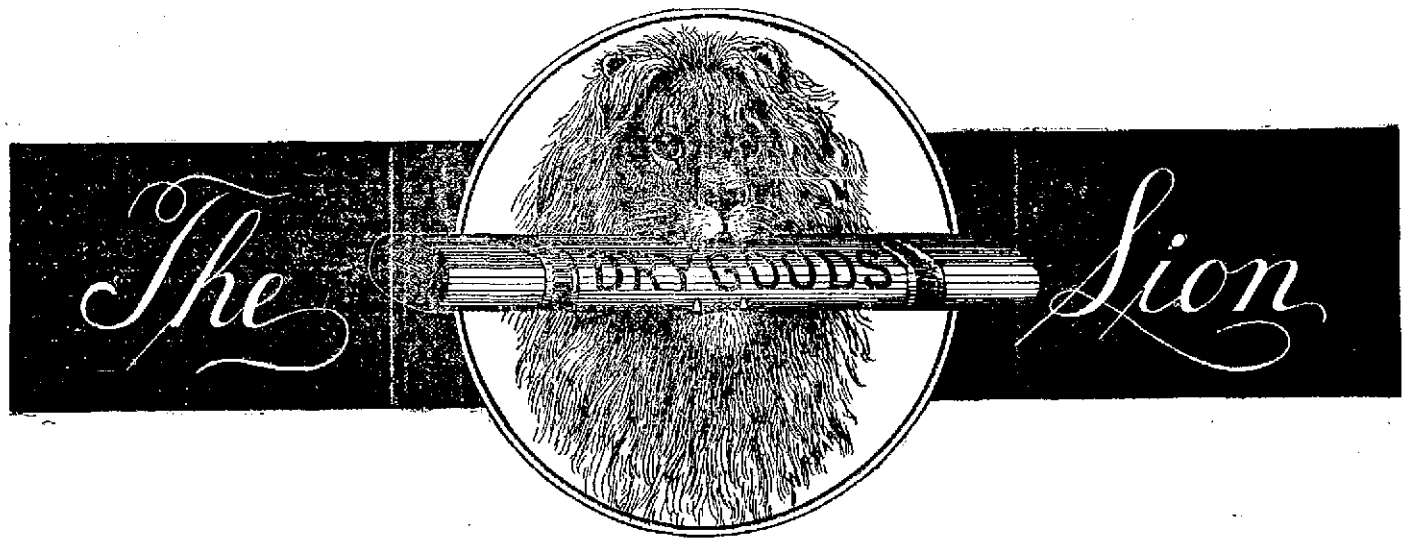
Lot No. 2—Fine all wool cheviots, Scotch goods, plain and fancy mixtures, we sold them from $7.50 to 10, just one price for all..... $5 50

Lot No. 3—All men's suits worth and sold from $11 to 13.50 at the low price of..... $7 50

Lot No. 4—Men's fine all wool suits in clay worsteds, Scotch cheviots, and those pretty Scotch plaids, we sold them from $12.50 to 16.50, you buy what we have left at..... $8 50

Lot No. 5—Suits made from all the new materials, in all styles, you will save from $4 to 7 on every suit, they will be sold at..... $10 00

Lot Nos. 6 and 7—All of the finest suits we have and tailor made garments at that, beautiful goods from the best makers. We have made a price of $12 50 on lot 6, and $14 50 on lot 7.



Ladies' Wrappers

Ladies' wrappers in fancy Persian designs sold at 98c, now 69c each.

Also fine flannelettes and Percales worth from $1.25 to 1.98 at 98c each.

Don't wait too long and then be sorry they are all sold.

Ladies' Waists

Ladies' wool waists in plaids, fancy mixtures in silk and wools, sold all season from $2.25 to 3.50, we will clean them up, your choice at $1 75

Jackets, Capes and Suits

There will be a merry time here; 50 cents will buy a dollar's worth in many cases but we'd rather have the money than the goods. Cost not considered here.

A Few Extra Good Blankets Will be Sold Very Cheap

Not more than a dozen pairs, so it will not do to say much, but we are anxious to see how many housewives are curious enough to answer an advertisement as short as this.

The Winter Underwear Must Go

You can use them now and we don't want to summer them. Absurd is the word when you compare the prices with the intrinsic worth of the goods.

Odd lots of men's undershirts and drawers, worth from 25c to 50c at 19c

Fine grades of wool and cotton mixed, also all wool, have been sold at from 65c to $1, at 59c

The best we have in all wool and finest grades of goods sold as high as $1.75, to close at 99c

Housekeeping Goods at Less than Mill Prices

It's only for a month; the pace is too hot for a longer period, so buy all you want.

Fruit of Loom Muslin, 15 yards for $1.

Lonsdale Muslin, 15 yards for $1.

We Shall Indulge

In no spread eagleism, no bombast, but give you a chronicle of money-saving facts that will throng the store with purchasers. There are bargains in this store at all times but not such as these. Read the list to the end, cut out from the ad the items that interest you and compare the actual merchandise offered. Money back on every dollar's worth that you purchase if not as represented and satisfactory.

A Dress Goods Slump..

Might as well own up: we're overstocked on dress goods; we'll move them though, see if we don't. It means a big loss, but it's got to be done. These prices would make the cottons blush. We have just four prices on our entire stock of dress goods.

All novelties and plain goods worth 25c to 44c per yd. put in one lot at 19c

The better grades of mohairs, silk mixtures, novelties and plain fabrics worth from 49c to 70c per yd. in another lot at..... 39c

A great assortment of high class novelties, plain goods in black and colors; also covert cloths, broadcloths and cravenettes, worth from 75c to $1.10 per yd., go in third lot at..... 59c

The fourth lot includes all of the finest goods we have. English tweeds, Scotch Wales, silk sublime, clay worsteds, mohair and silk novelties and our finest black goods worth from $1.25 to 2.00 per yd. at..... 79c

Fine English flannelettes for ladies' wrappers in Persian patterns, sold at 12½c to 15c, we'll sell them now at 9c A line of Scotch plaids in dress goods at 5c Handsome plaids, good sellers, just the thing for waists, at 9c per yd.

15 Yards Fruit of Loom Muslin, $1.

..SHEPARD & BENNING.. ST. JOSEPH, MICH...

15 Yards Lonsdale Muslin for $1.

GRAND CONTINUATION!

JAM[illegible]S POUND

[illegible]XT TO POSTOFFICE.

$20,000 in [illegible] Dry Goods and Cloaks!

...Great Reduction a[illegible] Realization Sale of all Goods in Our Store...

Departments

Domestic Cottons and Prints,
Linens,
Hosiery and Gloves,
Ribbons and Laces,
White Goods,
Blankets and Flannels,
..Linings..

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[illegible] Tickets Given During This Sale.

[illegible] CORSETS..

Departments

Dress Goods.
Jackets and Capes.
Shawls and Fascinators,
Silks,
Lace Curtains, Derbys and Window Shades,
Notions and Small Wares,
Muslin and Knit Underwear.

We Will Conti[illegible] This Sale Until January 16th

Our Sale for the past [illegible]k being such a Grand Success we have decided to continue it for another [illegible]k. Remember this sale includes everything in our store from a spool of co[illegible]to the finest dress goods.

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..150 Cloaks, Ca[illegible]es and Jackets Must Be Sold..

Thirty Beaver Sha[illegible] none better on earth.

Fi[illegible] Pairs Blankets, the Cream of the Mills.

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TWENTY-FIVE CTS. [illegible] QUART.

Watch this space we will change th[illegible]ces often.

22 1-4 lbs. Granulated Sugar	$1 00	1 lb. packa[illegible]arch	5c
23 1-4 lbs. Extra C Sugar	$1 00	1 lb. packa[illegible]lishing Starch	8c
Golden Syrup, per gal	20c	1-2 lb. Bak[illegible]late	19c
1 lb. Best Cocoanut	15c	Sweet Cho[illegible]	7c
1-2 lb. Best Cocoanut	10c	California [illegible] cans	17c
2 lb. package Buckwheat	10c	Golden Pu[illegible]	9c
Matches, per package, 200 count	10c	Salt Pork	6c
1 package Mince Meat	8c	Beans, han[illegible]	5c
6 bars Long Brown Soap	25c	Arm and H[illegible]da	6c
5 gallons best Oil	45c	Magic Yea[illegible]ast Foam	3c
5 gallon Oil Can	50c	25c Tea	19c
9 bars Kirk's Soap	25c	Sapolio	8c
1 lb. Best 50c Tea	33c	Bulk Starch	4c
2 lb. package Rolled Oats	7c	1 lb. Dr. Pr[illegible]ing Powder	40c
1 lb. Good Java Coffee	30c	Salt, per sa[illegible]	3c

Compare these prices with what you are paying at c[illegible]es and you will be convinced that we can save you mo[illegible]

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Having purchased the hard[illegible] stock of D. A. Wentworth I will close out th[illegible]ntire line of Heating Stoves BELOW COST.

Everything in the hardware li[illegible] will go at a low price as I wish to make ro[illegible]r new goods.

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Portland ..Sleighs

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BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

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Prompt delivery to all parts of the city...

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Leave Orders at A. H. Conkey & Son's Grocery Store

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For the next 60 days C. R. Hollis & Son will sell their entire stock at actual cost before buying spring goods. 52t387

TALKED OF MONEY.

A Monetary Conference Now in Session at Indianapolis Is Quite Largely Attended.

SOME NOTABLE ADDRESSES.

Number of Michigan Cities Represented at This Important Gathering.

Indianapolis, Jan. 13.—Chairman Hugh Hanna, of the executive committee of the monetary conference, called that body to order at Tomlinson Hall yesterday afternoon at twenty minutes of 3 o'clock. At that time there were seated in the auditorium nearly 300 delegates, representing business interests that run up in value into the hundreds of millions. It was a fine looking body of men, whose object is to attempt reform of the government's currency system. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. L. M. Haines, of the First Presbyterian church, ex-President Harrison's place of worship. Then Hanna delivered a brief welcoming address and Temporary Chairman Jacob W. Smith read the call sent out by the executive committee. Next came the recommendation of the committee on the temporary organization, naming E. O. Stanard, of St. Louis, as temporary chairman; Jacob W. Smith, of Indianapolis, as temporary secretary, and W. F. C. Golt, of Indianapolis, as sergeant-at-arms.

Beginning of the Speechmaking.

In taking the chair Stanard made a speech of some length giving his views on the importance of the gathering and what it should do. After the speech committees on permanent organization, rules and order of business and credentials were appointed, and after they had retired Charles S. Fairchilds responded to calls and made an address. In opening he said: "For the first time in the history of governments a great, scientific financial question was submitted to the people for popular consideration in our last election. It was a great test of our institutions—not alone in the way in which it was decided—because we were considering the adoption practically of a tool with which to conduct our business. Other men at other times in our history have considered similar questions differing as widely as possible in their political views. And yet, to them, there never entered an idea that party, section, race, nationality or worldly condition was involved."

Great Issues Hang on the Result.

After dwelling at length upon the defects in the present monetary system, Fairchild concluded with these words: "I tell you that before the work of this convention is finally concluded the business world, not only the United States but all the world, will be looking at it and its result. I tell you, gentlemen, that if it shall demonstrate (as God grant that you may not) that there is within this body not sufficient wisdom to arrive at something wise and conclusive; or if, having so come to a conclusion among yourselves, it is demonstrated that you are so far removed in influence from the law-making power that no results come of it, I tell you, gentlemen, you may tremble for the business and political future of this country." [Applause.]

John P. Irish, of California, was next called. He put as much eloquence as possible into a dry subject.

PATTERSON PERMANENT CHAIRMAN.

Western Towns Represented at the Gathering—A Representative Body.

The chairman then called for the report of the committee on credentials. There were no contests. The total number of delegates whose names have so far been reported is 270. The list of cities represented was read and included the following: Adrian, Mich.; Anderson, Ind.; Appleton, Wis.; Bay City, Mich.; Bloomington, Ills.; Cairo, Ills.; Chicago; Davenport, Ia.; Des Moines, Ia.; Detroit; Elkhart, Ind.; Evansville, Ind.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Galesburg, Ills.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Green Bay, Wis.; Indianapolis, Jackson, Mich.; Jeffersonville, Ind.; Keokuk, Ia.; Kokomo, Ind.; LaCrosse, Wis.; Lafayette, Ind.; Logansport, Ind.; Marion, Ind.; Milwaukee; Muncie, Ind.; New Albany, Ind.; Ottawa, Ills.; Ottumwa, Ia.; Port Huron, Mich.; Quincy, Ills.; Racine, Wis.; Richmond, Ind.; Saginaw, Mich.; Sioux City, Ia.; South Bend, Ind.; Springfield, Ills.; Terre Haute, Ind.; and Vincennes, Ind. There were also delegates from New York city, Boston, Cincinnati, Hartford, Philadelphia, Albany, Washington, and many cities in the south. The convention in fact is representative of the whole country.

The committee on permanent organization last night reported, recommending C. Stuart Patterson, of Philadelphia, for permanent chairman and Evans Wooten, of Indianapolis, for permanent secretary. It also recommended that vice presidents be chosen, one from each state. Patterson was escorted to the chair and spoke at length on the objects of the conference.

After the address of the permanent chairman the committee on rules and order of business reported, limiting the time of debate, resolutions, etc. The president then read the list of vice presidents and the members of the committee on resolutions. There were calls for J. H. Walker, chairman of the house committee of banking and finance, and he responded with a speech regarding the financial condition of the country.

A flood of propositions for the reform of the currency was submitted and referred to the committee on resolutions. The Chicago delegation advocated the appointment of a commission of nine members with instructions to report a bill to congress not later than Jan. 1, 1898. Members of the commission are to be named by the president of the United States.

A good deal of importance attached to a plan reported by Chairman Hanna, of the national monetary committee. It provides for the creation of a commission to consist of eleven members, these to be appointed by the conference. This commission is to make a thorough investigation as to financial needs, overhauling the entire currency system, and when its deliberations are through it is empowered to call the conference together to hear its report. The conference is then to decide on the kind of a bill to introduce in congress.

Representative Fowler, of the banking and currency committee of the house, proposed that an executive committee be appointed to confer with the proper house and senate committees in drafting a financial bill, the members of the committee to be selected by the several states. Any proposition that might be submitted direct by the conference, he declared, would meet with resentment from the house and senate committees, and would utterly fail. Other plans submitted provide severally for the retirement of the greenbacks, increasing the national bank issue, allowing banks to issue to the par value of the bonds, reducing the tax on national bank circulation from 1 per cent. to ¼ of 1 per cent., and favoring a direct resolution from congress maintaining the gold standard.

CAPT. MEYERS' "WRECKING" TRIP.

Sworn Statements of the Master of the Filibuster Dauntless.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The secretary of the interior has received from Collector Bisbee at Jacksonville, a report on the recent movements of the suspected filibuster Dauntless, in which he incorporates an affidavit made by Captain Meyers, the master. The affidavit states in effect that on Dec. 28 the master subscribed to an oath that the Dauntless was about starting on a wrecking tour, and that he would not violate the neutrality or navigation laws. On that day he steamed down the river, but the weather was too thick for his vessel to go to sea, and so he returned to Jacksonville. On the 29th he again started on his wrecking trip, but the weather was still heavy and he concluded to go inside, through Hawks channel.

While in the channel he discovered signals of distress flying from a point on No Name Key. He put in to the island and found thirty-five men in great distress suffering from exposure to the weather and want of food. There was also a quantity of freightage in unbroken boxes and packages. What they contained he did not know. He took the men and freight on board New Year's Day, and as nearly as he could recollect on the 3rd of January he delivered them at sea. To whom they were delivered he does not say.

Has to Sue for His Own Child.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 13.—Habeas corpus proceedings have been begun for the recovery of Florence Schmall, the 13-year-old daughter of Adolph Schmall, of Louisville, whose wife died in that city in 1890. After the death of Mrs. Schmall, William Weaver and his wife suddenly disappeared from Louisville with Florence, then 7 years old. Efforts were made by the father to locate his child, but he was not successful until a few days ago, when he learned that she was in this city. He came here and located her in the Weaver family, who will make an effort to hold the girl. The father refuses to prosecute for kidnaping, simply asking for the custody of his child.

Cause of a Pennsylvania Strike.

Huntington, Pa., Jan. 13.—The miners in the Robertsdale and Woodvale bituminous districts in this county have struck because one of the mine drivers in the Robertsdale region was not given his regular mule team to drive. The Woodvale miners quit through sympathy. The miners had been working only two days a week, and the strike occurred just as work had commenced on a large order that would have kept them steadily employed.

Wreck on the Panhandle Road.

Pittsburg, Jan. 13.—The Panhandle limited was wrecked Monday night near McDonald, Pa. A bad rail is supposed to have caused the accident. President Roberts and party of the Pennsylvania railway were on the train and their cars were thrown from the tracks, but none of the party was injured. Chief Engineer T. D. Johnson was seriously but not fatally hurt.

Waited Three Months for Death.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 13.—Ed Thorsen, a hotel proprietor who shot a bullet into his brain three months ago, died Monday night. He had attended to business as usual with the bullet in his head.

Smith-White Fight a Draw.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Smith-White fight was declared a draw at the end of 25 rounds.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

In July next an international philatelic exhibition will be opened in Piccadilly, and is expected to surpass all previous expositions of this kind in size and importance.

Marriage License Clerk Salmonson, of Chicago, yesterday issued a license to a couple, the man of which was 73 years of age and 40 years the senior of his bride.

Within a week or so it is said a child will be born to the Count and Countess de Castellane, nee Gould.

President Nick Young, in a letter of advice to the base ball players of the league, says he knows of no better model for young players than Captain Anson.

There is New England senatorial authority for saying that Senator Hawley, of Connecticut, is being urged on McKinley for secretary of war.

Henry Gardner started out at Chicago with a revolver, a knife and a bottle of poison. He wanted to kill his wife and then himself. Detectives disarmed him before any damage was done. Gardner is hopelessly insane.

Henry Williams, aged 23, an excessive smoker of cigarettes, is puzzling the physicians at Wheatland, Mich. He has been in a comatose state for thirty-six hours and his mind is a total blank. Williams is a graduate of Hillsdale college.

Chicago citizens consumed 3,198,222 barrels of beer in 1896, an increase of 549,887 barrels over 1895. This total amount means in gallons 99,144,882; in drinks, allowing sixteen to each gallon, 1,586,318,112; in dollars, at 5 cents a glass, $79,315,905.

Obituary: At New York, General Ramon Pels, ex-Venezuelan consul, 67. At Pontiac, Ills., Philip Rollins, 84. At Sycamore, Ills., Wirt Anderson, 24. At Janesville, Wis., Matthew Peterson, 73.

Henry Miller, a one-time wealthy Chicago butcher, committed suicide in a hardware store in San Francisco by shooting himself in the head. He lost upward of $100,000 on the board of trade.

James McGreevy committed suicide at Chicago by firing a bullet into his brain in the presence of his wife, with whom he had quarreled. He had been drinking heavily of late.

HOME DYEING MADE EASY.

HANDSOME COLORS THAT NEVER FADE.

Hard Times Increased the Sale of Diamond Dyes—Black for Cotton, Wool and Silk that Does Not Crock—Makes Old Cloaks, Gowns, and Suits Look Like New.

"It is really marvelous," said a Pipestone street druggist, "how the hard times have increased the sale of diamond dyes. Ladies buy one package as an experiment, and find the dye so easy to use that they color all their old clothing, and come out with new gowns, cloaks, and suits for the whole family. The diamond dye blacks seem especially popular, I often sell half a dozen packages to one customer."

Diamond dyes are put up for every color, with special dyes for cotton and are so simple and easy to use that even a child can dye a perfect color with them, one that will not fade, crock, or wash out, equal to the handsomest shade made by the professional dyer.

M. Leon's Vote.

It was often said of M. Adrien Leon, who has just died near Bayonne, France, that he saved the republic by a single vote. On Feb. 27, 1875, when the remodeling of the constitution was debated, M. Walton's amendment fixing the conditions for the election of the president was regarded as the crucial test on which the fate of France depended. Leon, sitting in the right center, hesitated, but was persuaded by Gambetta to support the Republicans at the last moment, and the amendment was carried by a majority of one.

For Colds And Coughs

"Early in the Winter, I took a a severe cold which developed into an obstinate, hacking cough, which troubled me for nine weeks, in spite of medical aid.

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

being recommended me, I began to take it, and inside of 24 hours I was relieved. That one bottle cured me, and I cannot speak too highly of its excellence."—Mrs. E. E. Bosch, Eaton, Ohio.

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We are headquarters for choice cuts of fresh and salt meats. We keep in stock Metchner Bros.' famous banana hams and bacon. Also

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SYLVESTER W. BARKER, ATTORNEY-at-Law, over First National Bank, Benton Harbor, Mich.

GEORGE MILLER, ATTORNEY AND SOLICITOR in Chancery, room 8, Bowman bl'k.

PHYSICIANS.

F. A. VOTEY, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office, Jones & Sonner block. Hours, 1 to 4:30 and 7 to 8 p. m. Residence, [illegible] Pipestone street. Telephone, 111, 1 ring.

E. S. ANTISDALE, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Eye, Ear Nose and Throat. Glasses fitted. Hours, 9 to 12, 2 to 5, Sundays 12 to 1. Jones & Sonner Block, Benton Harbor, Mich.

C. N. SOWERS, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND Surgeon. Office in Bell block; Residence Hotel Higbee. Office hours, 9 to 11 a. m., 1 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m.

DR. ELLEN MARIE OVIATT, HOMEOPATHIC physician. Office and residence, [illegible] Pipestone street. Office hours, 8 to 9 a. m., and 2 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m.

GEO. M. BELL, M.D. DISEASES OF CHILDREN a specialty. Office over Bell's drug store. Hours 1 to 3 p. m. each day except Wednesday. Residence corner of Pipestone street and Britian avenue.

DR. J. J. FABRY, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Deutscher Arst. Office and residence 110 Water street.

REAL ESTATE, INSURANCE, ETC.

A. B. HILL, ROOM 7, BOWMAN BLOCK. Real estate, fire, life and accident insurance. General agent for the State Building & Loan association of Indiana, No. 3. Agents wanted. 395-3mos

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MRS. LEMON, PROFESSIONAL NURSE, 169 Broadway.

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MISSES FORTON, 111 PAVONE STREET, teachers of the best Kindergarten methods. Graduates of Training Department, Alma College.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES, BENTON Tent, No. 104, meet at Odd Fellows' hall. Regular review second and fourth Fridays in each month. G. H. REIMER, Com. R. P. CHADDOCK, R. K.

PIONEER COMMANDERY, NO. 538, UNITED Order of the Golden Cross. Meetings the first and third Tuesday evening of every month in Woodman hall, visiting members welcome. B. L. HALL, N. C. MRS. H. W KENT, N. C. R.

BENTON LODGE NO. 132, I. O. O. F., MEETS every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in their lodge room opposite the post office. All visiting brothers are cordially invited. B. O. JOHNSON, N. G. GEORGE W. PALES, Secretary.

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WANTED—A GOOD HOUSEKEEPER. A middleaged lady who understands caring for children preferred. Call at 187 Pearl street or address 179 Pearl street. 397t6

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WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSEWORK. Mrs. Seeley McCord, Territorial street.

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FOR RENT—FINE LIGHT OFFICE ROOM, central location, steam heat. Or desk room to right party. Enquire of Antisdale & Chapman, Conkey block.

FOR SALE OR RENT—LARGE 11 ROOM modern house, corner Second and Miller streets, for sale on easy terms or will rent to the right people. S. M. AUSTIN.

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Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., 103 Main street, Druggist, Benton Harbor, Mich.

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Having sold out my business I wish to get all accounts due me turned into cash as rapidly as possible. Those having book accounts and stove contracts please take especial notice.
395tf DON A. WENTWORTH.

Rates to the Inauguration.

On account of the inauguration the Big Four will sell special excursion tickets to Washington, good going March 1, 2 and 3, and leaving Washington not earlier than March 4 and not later than March 8, inclusive, at one first class fare for the round trip.
L. G. SMITH, Agent.

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Pro Patria, a gentleman's smoke; 10. cigar for 5c. Beware of imitations See that your cigar is stamped Pro Patria. Geo. Moebs & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

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Customers for corn, corn fodder, potatoes and apples. If you want good potatoes or apples for winter use put in your cellar at hard time prices, we've got 'em. Will sell our corn in the car or shock. Inquire or leave your orders at the office, West Michigan Nurseries, 155 Pipestone street or O. C Howe, Eau Claire 316t

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CAUTION

THE greatly increased price of cream of tartar, the chief ingredient of a pure baking powder, has induced some manufacturers to substitute burnt alum (which costs but 3 cts. a pound), largely or wholly in lieu thereof, making a very low cost but a very unwholesome baking powder; and great efforts are made to foist these inferior powders upon consumers by the inducement of a lower price and by grossly false representations as to their ingredients and comparative value.

Alum baking powders have been declared by the most competent authorities injurious to health. Therefore every precaution must be taken to keep them out of the house. They masquerade under many names, and new brands are continually appearing.

It is safe to avoid all new brands. Baking powders that are sold either wholesale or retail at a lower price than Royal are almost invariably made from alum, and therefore not only inferior in quality, but positively dangerous to health.

Consumers can be more certainly protected from alum baking powders, and make the wholesomeness of their food doubly sure, by rigidly refusing all substitutes for Royal Baking Powder. The Royal is certified by the Government and State chemists free from alum, absolutely pure, and superlative in leavening power.

It is unwise to take chances by the use of other brands.

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THEY DRIED UP.

Four Sailors on a Desert Island Were Cremated by Natural Heat.

Uncle Robert William Quimby of Lewiston says that he has traveled in all the warm countries of the globe and that he has been in the coldest latitudes. He does not think that we have such very hot weather. If people would make provision for the hot days as they do in India, he thinks we should not notice it so much.

"But," says he, "the warmest weather that I ever experienced was on a small island called John's Biscuit, off Cape Gracias, on Honduras. The Elizabeth Jennings, on which I sailed in 1870 from Portland, stopped there for water, and a boat's crew went ashore for it. It was a little volcanic island and awful dry and hot We didn't know whether there would be any water there or not, but we did find a spring with a stream as large as a broom handle pouring out all the time. And, do you believe me, the water was dried up and soaked up before it had run four feet in the sand. The place was covered with dried trees, and a little distance away was what looked like a hut—a habitation for man. We went in and found the shrunken remains of four men—sailors—who had died in one night, to judge from appearances. One was leaning against the wall in a sitting position. There was dry food on the table, dry meat in a box, and everything was burning dry.

"A letter in the pocket of one man was dated Liverpool, 1846, and on the table was a bottle with a note in it, evidently intended to be cast adrift. It said they were four English seamen, marooned by the captain, left to die. The noted was dated 1846, and I suppose they had been there dead in that hut for over 30 years, and they must have died of heat one day and dried right up. We left them where we found them."—Lewiston Journal.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE Home Forum will install officers tonight.

MEETING of the board of trade next Friday night. Business of great importance.

JAMES Pound is pleasing hosts of customers daily at his big clearance sale which runs this week only.

THE marsh near the Alden canning factory has frozen over and the excellent skating afforded enjoyment for a large crowd of young people last night.

J. O. VANHORN has received another special consignment of underwear which will be sold at a very low price. See further particulars in new advertisement.

THE steamers Jay Gould and City of Duluth came in early this morning from Chicago and discharged their freight for transfer over the Vandalia and Big Four.

THE Lion dry goods house in St. Joseph will have a change in their advertisement tomorrow, and as the prices are so low that they will startle you, you cannot help reading it.

THE Benton Harbor Mandolin club will render some fine music and C. E. Reeves, formerly an editor of the Palladium, will deliver an address at the Bimetallic club rooms tonight. The public is invited.

DEPUTY Sheriff Tennant went to Buchanan this morning with Wesley Fowler who is charged with forging the signature of G. W. Rowe to checks of $9 each. Fowler is having his preliminary hearing today.

THE following item, clipped from an Ann Arbor paper, has been going the rounds of the state press: All traffic at Benton Harbor is blocked, until the water subsides. Thousands of acres of land are overflowed, bridges are gone, and buildings on the level ground are flooded. The Big Four railroad tracks in the city limits are under four feet of water.

AN Indian who came down from Bangor yesterday became maliciously mischievous this afternoon as a result of an over-indulgence in alcoholic beverages and was imprisoned in the city jail. He was arrested at the residence of Brace Knapp where he went to pay a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, and was conveyed to jail in a buggy.

B. L. HALL this afternoon secured the contract for the plumbing, hot water heating, and lighting, of the Lancaster residence and barn across the Paw Paw. Mr. Lancaster will put in a gas plant of his own. Mr. Hall has also made a contract for plumbing and putting hot water heating, in the new Powers residence. Lake avenue.

A REPUBLICAN county convention to place in nomination a candidate for county commissioner of schools and select delegates to the state convention will be held in St. Joseph Wednesday, February 17. In addition to arranging the date for the above convention the county republican committee named Dr. Fred Belknap, of Niles, as temporary chairman of the convention. The state convention will be held at Detroit February 22.

THE W. W. T. Chautauquans will meet with Miss Francis Hull, Friday eve at 7 o'clock, to go to the College.

NEWS OF THE STATE

Rev Fr. Rose, who has been pastor of the Roman Catholic church at Croswell, has resigned his pastorate and will move to Deerfield this week, where he will have charge of a church.

The Eames-Morgan litigation has been reopened at Ann Arbor by the appointment of commissioners to investigate the claims that the late E. W. Morgan took in trust $50,000 worth of New York property, which was never restored to the rightful owners. With interest the claim now amounts to $215,417.66.

William Henry, of Edwardsburg, Cass county, died suddenly in Denver where he was sojourning with his wife. George W. Morse, of Edwardsburg, now claims to have evidence that Henry was poisoned to secure possession of the $15,000 insurance which he carried on his life. Henry left Edwardsburg in good health and his death will be investigated. Mrs. Henry is said to be in San Francisco.

Hon. Harsen D. Smith, of Cassopolis, who was chosen messenger of the Michigan presidential electors, is a very popular man. His many friends rejoice at his good fortune. He will deliver the vote of Michigan at Washington on or before Feb. 15. His expenses are paid by the United States government.

The Grand Rapids Democrat is likely to be sold at a small figure. An offer of $18,000 is made for the plant.

Alderman Coot, governor Pingree's right hand man in Detroit, has been turned down for renomination as congressman.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Following are the prices paid to farmers for their produce by Benton Harbor dealers.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6, 1897.

Wheat, per bu	85
Corn	20
Oats	18
Buckwheat per cwt	75 @ 80
Rye	28
Butter	12 @ 14
Eggs	13 @ 15
Lard	6
Hogs, per cwt	$4 00
Beef cattle	$5 00 @ $5 50
Veal calves, per lb	6½@ 7
Mutton, per lb	6
Chickens, dressed	7 to 8
" alive	6c
Turkeys, dressed per lb	10
Ducks, dressed per lb	10
Geese, dressed per lb	10
Beans, per bu	60 @ 80
Apples, per bu	12½ @ 25
Potatoes, per bu	12½@15
Parsnips, per bu	25
Turnips, per bu	10
Onions, per bu	75 @ $1 00
Hard wood, per cord	$1 75

Butter and eggs are becoming more plentiful and as the supply in the market increases the prices go down.

Six weeks ago our local merchants were buying onions for 25 cents a bushel and were not very anxious to purchase them even at this figure. Today if a farmer should bring in a load of onions he would find a ready market at from 75 cents to $1 a bushel.

SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

Harry Darling, the hypnotist, assisted by A. T. Wheeler, the contortionist, will give an entertainment next Saturday night at the Fair Plain school house for the benefit of the Fair Plain band. Both young men have local reputations and are quite skilled in their respective arts.

Harry L. Bird left this morning for a business and pleasure trip through the eastern part of the state. He expects to be gone until February 1.

Mrs. Ida Parks was called to Dowagiac yesterday on account of the death of her neice.

M. L. Colburn left this morning for Baroda and other towns along the Vandalia in the interest of the La Creole cigar company.

Captain M. J. Steffins owner of the steam yacht Laura S. is in the city today on business.

H. D. Deam, of the B. H. & E. project is out of the city today on business.

F. W. Sessions and wife returned last night from Spring Lake where they have been visiting relatives for the past month.

The children of Mr and Mrs. Daniel Green are staying with Mrs. W. F. Mills during the illness of their brother Thomas, with diphtheria.

The annual meeting of the Congregational Ladies' Aid Society will be held tomorrow, Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. R. M. Jones on Washington St., at 3.00. Election of officers and other business. Every lady interested in the church is urged to be present. Please bring thimble, needles, thread, and silk scraps.

The Ossoli club will meet on Friday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. J. M. Allmendinger, Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Arthur Rancier of Dowagiac, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Wolfred, Jennings avenue.

Ira Morrill returned home yesterday from Cassopolis.

C. E. Jenkins returned home yesterday after a few week's visit with relatives at Eau Claire and Dowagiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Hopkins entertained a progressive pedro club last evening at their home on Washington street. There were 14 couples present and the evening was spent very happily. The first favors were won by Charles Stone and Mrs. Willis E. Kennedy, and the second by Willis E. Kennedy and Miss Mary Kennedy.

Samuel V. Phillips, who has made a host of friends here since becoming a member of the Enterprise Mercantile company, was given a pleasant surprise at his home on Cherry street last night in honor of his birthday. Mr. Phillips was sitting in his cozy parlor when suddenly a knock came at the door and when Mr. Phillips responded he was greeted by about 20 of his neighbors and friends. The evening quickly passed with music, dancing and games after which Mrs. Phillips invited the jolly company into the dining room where a dainty supper was spread. At a late hour the guests took their departure for their respective homes all voting Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and their two boys charming entertainers.

About 75 delighted guests from city and country crowded the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Southworth on Euclid avenue last evening to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. The gathering was distinguished by true cordiality and an absence of conventionalities. Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst, of Evanston, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Gamble from Plainwell, assisted in receiving the guests. After an hour spent in social conversation refreshments were served which bore abundant evidence of the good taste and hospitality of the hostess. After refreshments were served Rev. Mr. French, in behalf of the assembled guests presented to the pair a purse containing between $50 and $60 in gold. When Mr. French makes a presentation speech the people always expect something good and are never disappointed. J. O. Rowe, in behalf of the Odd Fellows of this city, presented Mr. Southworth with a gold headed cane. Mrs. Coon, of Indianapolis, sent a handsome rose pillow besides which there were numerous smaller but valuable gifts. Beautiful flowers were presented by Mrs. Parkhurst and Mrs. John Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Southworth were married at Gloversville, N. Y., Tuesday, January 12, 1847, and have resided at their yresent home 37 years.

A number of the guests attended their silver wedding, among them were Dr. and Mrs John Bell, Mrs. Charles and Mrs. M. A. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred and Mrs. Robert Spink.

Real Estate Transfers.

Lillie E. Pinper to Charles C. Hutsen lots 7 to 16, block 1, Lake Shore addition, Bridgman, $200.

Caroline Decker to John Andrews 25 acres in Benton township, $700.

Peter Womer to Gotlip Boyle property in Buchanan, $250.

"I was troubled with my stomach, kidneys and liver. I told my wife I was going to try Hood's Sarsaparilla and I did so and in a short time I was better and was able to sleep well at night." Nathaniel Wise, Cassopolis, Mich.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills.

Probate Court.

Estate of Albion Smith, deceased. Petition filed by George M. Smith, administrator of said estate, for license to sell the real estate of deceased for the payment of debts. Hearing February 8 at 10 a. m.

We close at 6 except Saturday and Monday...

..Now for the Big Winter Clearance Sale..

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Past Records Broken...

We propose to make this sale the greatest event of our history. Every dollar's worth of surplus stock has been marked at prices to close it in a month; cost, former value and loss will not be considered; we are bound to sell the goods. We mean just what we say and want you to regard every word as a cold fact. We consider it a wise loss and take it cheerfully. The sale will last just one month and it is a buying opportunity that none should miss.

Clothing...

We don't intend to have any old clothing on our hands, no matter what we lose by getting rid of them, so if you are wise you will take advantage of the lowest prices ever made on high class clothing.

Lot No. 1—All men's suits sold at $5 and 6.50, a good assortment to select from, you take your choice at $3 50

Lot No. 2—Fine all wool cheviots, Scotch goods, plain and fancy mixtures, we sold them from $7.50 to 10, just one price for all $5 50

Lot No. 3—All men's suits worth and sold from $11 to 13.50 at the low price of $7 50

Lot No. 4—Men's fine all wool suits in clay worsteds, Scotch cheviots, and those pretty Scotch plaids, we sold them from $12.50 to 16.50, you buy what we have left at $8 50

Lot No. 5—Suits made from all the new materials, in all styles, you will save from $4 to 7 on every suit, they will be sold at $10 00

Lot Nos. 6 and 7—All of the finest suits we have and tailor made garments at that, beautiful goods from the best makers. We have made a price of $12 50 on lot 6, and $14 50 on lot 7.

Ladies' Wrappers

Ladies' wrappers in fancy Persian designs sold at 98c, now 69c each.

Also fine flannelettes and Percales worth from $1.25 to 1.98 at 98c each.

Don't wait too long and then be sorry they are all sold.

Ladies' Waists

Ladies' wool waists in plaids, fancy mixtures in silk and wools, sold all season from $2.25 to 3.50, we will clean them up, your choice at $1 75

Jackets, Capes and Suits

There will be a merry time here; 50 cents will buy a dollar's worth in many cases but we'd rather have the money than the goods. Cost not considered here.

A Few Extra Good Blankets Will be Sold Very Cheap

Not more than a dozen pairs, so it won't do to say much, but we are anxious to see how many housewives are curious enough to answer an advertisement as short as this.

The Winter Underwear Must Go

You can use them now and we don't want to summer them. Absurd is the word when you compare the prices with the intrinsic worth of the goods.

Odd lots of men's undershirts and drawers, worth from 25c to 50c at 19c

Fine grades of wool and cotton mixed, also all wool, have been sold at from 65c to $1, at 59c

The best we have in all wool and finest grades of goods sold as high as $1.75, to close at 99c

Housekeeping Goods at Less than Mill Prices

It's only for a month; the pace is too hot for a longer period, so buy all you want.

Fruit of Loom Muslin, 15 yards for $1. Lonsdale Muslin, 15 yards for $1.

We Shall Indulge

In no spread eagleism, no bombast, but give you a chronicle of money-saving facts that will throng the store with purchasers. There are bargains in this store at all times but not such as these. Read the list to the end, cut out from the ad the items that interest you and compare the actual merchandise offered. Money back on every dollar's worth that you purchase if not as represented and satisfactory.

A Dress Goods Slump..

Might as well own up: we're overstocked on dress goods; we'll move them though, see if we don't. It means a big loss, but it's got to be done. These prices would make the cottons blush. We have just four prices on our entire stock of dress goods.

All novelties and plain goods worth 25c to 44c per yd. put in one lot at 19c

The better grades of mohairs, silk mixtures, novelties and plain fabrics worth from 49c to 70c per yd. in another lot at 39c

A great assortment of high class novelties, plain goods in black and colors; also covert cloths, broadcloths and cravenettes, worth from 75c to $1.10 per yd., go in third lot at 59c

The fourth lot includes all of the finest goods we have. English tweeds, Scotch Wales, silk sublime, clay worsteds, mohair and silk novelties and our finest black goods worth from $1.25 to 2.00 per yd. at 79c

Fine English flannelettes for ladies' wrappers in Persian patterns, sold at 12½c to 15c, we'll sell them now at 9c A line of Scotch plaids in dress goods at 5c Handsome plaids, good sellers, just the thing for waists, at 9c per yd.

15 Yards Fruit of Loom Muslin, $1. ..SHEPARD & BENNING.. ST. JOSEPH, MICH... 15 Yards Lonsdale Muslin for $1.